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SJL Communications

REPORT OF SIGNIFICANT NEEDS & PROBLEMS KSBY-TV 6 THIRD QUARTER 1998

This report covers the period of July 1, 1998 through ,September 30, 1998. KSBY-TV's list Ten Significant Needs and Problems was updated in 3rd quarter and placed in the public inspection file on October 10, 1998.

Obviously, concerns were not the same in all communities at all times. The principal concerns and needs mentioned more frequently by our survey of 664 people throughout our market were as follows:

- 1) CRIME
- 2) ECONOMY
- 3) GROWTH CONTROL/PLANNING
- 4) ENVIRONMENT
- 5) SOCIAL CONCERNS
- 6) EDUCATION
- 7) HEALTH CONCERNS
- 8) GOVERNMENT/LOCAL & STATE
- 9) IMMIGRATION
- 10) NATURAL DISASTERS/SAFETY

Interviews were conducted in December 1993.

KSBY-TV 6 is committed to providing quality programming that addresses these prevalent issues in our community.

AFFIDAVIT OF COMPLIANCE

- I, Shelley Appleby, state the following:
- I. I am the Traffic Manager of SJL Communications, licensee of Station KSBY, San Luis Obispo.
- II. I am familiar with the programming of the station and regularly review logs, tapes and formats showing material broadcast by the station.
- III. I am also familiar with the rules and regulations of the Federal Communications Commission concerning commercial limits for children's television, programming the "Commercial Limits").
- IV. During the third quarter of 1998, the station operated in full compliance with the Commercial Limits.
- V. The logs,tapes and format material I relied upon in giving this affidavit are available for public view upon request.

These statements are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and are made under penalty of perjury.

Shelley Appleby Traffic Manager

October 9, 1998





Significant Needs And Problems As Addressed By KSBY Programming:

Third Quarter 1998

California Country: Program geared towards the local and regional agricultural community. Aired twice at 5:30AM Saturdays and 11 times at 4:30AM Saturdays.

National Geographic: On Assignment: Monthly educational series from the publishers of National Geographic targeting all demographics and dealing with everything from endangered species awareness to the global ecosystem and saving our planet. Aired 7/26 @ 11AM, 8/09 @ 12PM, 9/13 @ 3PM.

Wild Life Adventures: Monthly educational series from the producers of National Geographic: On Assignment targeting all demographics and dealing with similar issues. Aired 9/27 @ 11AM.

National Geographic Specials: Series of specials on NBC from the publishers of National Geographic targeting all demographics and dealing with everything from endangered species awareness to the global ecosystem and saving our planet.

Tigers Of The Snow aired 7/11 @ 8PM. Sea Monsters aired 8/15 @ 8PM.

Jack Hanna's Animal Adventures Specials: Series of specials from the creators of the FCC friendly children's program, Jack Hanna's Animal Adventures, targeting all demographics and dealing with the awareness and understanding of the other species cohabiting earth.

Baby Boomers aired 9/20 @ 10AM

Independence Day: A Bonneville production of Fourth of July services featuring a sermon and the Mormon Tabernacle Choir aired commercial free 4/04 @ 5AM.

World Gospel: A interdenominational service featuring celebrity performers. Aired 8/30 @ 9AM.

Horizons Of The Spirit: Series of specials produced by faith groups of the Interfaith Broadcasting Commission. IBC members include the Southern Baptist Media Technology Group, the National Council Of Churches, the United States Catholic Conference, and the Jewish Theological Seminary of America. Approach At Dawn aired 8/02 @ 5AM. Race And Media aired 9/12 @ 5AM.

Significant Needs and Problems as Addressed by the Community Affairs Department Month of July 1998

Public Service Announcements

A total of 1312 announcements were run during the month of July 1998. The breakdown as to which specific community needs they addressed is as follows:

| 1. | Planning and Growth | None |
|----|---------------------------|---------|
| 2. | Water | |
| | Conserving CA Water | 31 |
| 3. | Housing | |
| 4. | Government Involvement | |
| | Americorps | 41 |
| | Peace Corp | 16 |
| 5. | Social Services | |
| | American Beauty | 32 |
| | Amnesty Int'l | 33 |
| | Become a Volunteer | 27 |
| | C.A.R.E. Change the World | 12 |
| | EOC | |
| | Responding/ EOC | 11 |
| | Begining/EOC | 12 |
| | Restoring/ EOC | 7 |
| | Nurturing/EOC | 5 |
| | Foster Parents | 7 |
| | Special Olympics | 42 |
| | Summer Food | 18 |
| 6. | Animals | None |
| | | , 5.1.0 |
| 7. | Senior Citizens | |
| | Senior Centers | 5 |

| 8. | Health Information/Services | 1 |
|-----|---------------------------------|------|
| | Alzheimer's | 14 |
| | CA Vet Memorial | 10 |
| | Careers Paralyzed | 2 |
| | Condoms | 27 |
| | Diabetes | 37 |
| | Mental Health Insurance | 8 |
| | Mom & Dad | 1 |
| | Narcotics Anonymous | 34 |
| | Pediatric AIDS | 21 |
| | Red Cross | 34 |
| | Salt & Pepa/Babies | 5 |
| | Suspicious Spot | 14 |
| | Tightrope/Babies | 26 |
| | Trapped in Tobbaco | 2 |
| | Trupped in 1000de0 | 2 |
| | | |
| 9. | Environment | |
| | American Oceans | 5 |
| | CA State Parks | 29 |
| | Fess Parker-Adopt a Highway | 13 |
| | Field Offer | 9 |
| | Forest Rescue | 13 |
| | High Performance House | 27 |
| | Keep CA Beautiful | 5 |
| | National Arbor Day | 1 |
| | Oceans | 44 |
| | Rainforest | 30 |
| | SLO Land Conservancy | 23 |
| | Year of Exploration/Oceans | 9 |
| 10. | Traffic Control | None |
| 11. | Children/Education | |
| | G 71 04 4 | |
| | Camp Fire Club | 8 |
| | CASA | 42 |
| | Communities in school | 1 |
| | 4-H Club | 10 |
| | Family Values | 1 |
| | Good Job/College | 32 |
| | I TEACH | 9 |
| | Micheal Jordan/College | 15 |
| | Preventing Child Abuse/McDonald | 24 |

| | Prevent Child Abuse | 6 |
|-----|---|------|
| | Progress Report | 5 |
| | Shriner's Hospital | 5 |
| | The More You Know | |
| | Children's Issues | 55 |
| | Silverman/Education | 1 |
| | Thompson/Traffic | 4 |
| | LaSalle/Abuse | 4 |
| | Shields/Mentor | 1 |
| | Walker/Gun Violence | 3 |
| | Perry/School | 3 |
| | Stewart/Remote | 8 |
| | Hyde Park | 5 |
| | Boy Scouts | 2 |
| | On Target | 16 |
| | T.V. Can be Inspirational | 31 |
| | YMCA | 15 |
| | | |
| 12. | Crime | |
| | Drunk Driving/Abby | 3 |
| | Rape/Dress | 3 |
| | Rape/Elevator | 4 |
| 13. | S-6.4 | |
| 13. | Safety | 11 |
| | Learn from a Dummy Local Disaster | 11 |
| | | 17 |
| | Matches/Lighters McGruff/Adventures II | 1 |
| | | 1 |
| | SACDUI/Drive Safely Wildland Fire | 12 |
| | White | 31 |
| 14. | Consumer Information | None |
| | | |
| 15. | Community Events | |
| | Cuesta College Calendar | 7 |
| | 40th Anniversary of Hearst Castle | 26 |
| | Mozart Festival | 81 |
| | SLO Triathalon | 37 |
| | Sheriff's Family Day | 10 |
| 16. | Arts | |
| - | SLO Historical Society | 4 |
| | Now Playing: Sylvia | 16 |

Community Calendar

There were a total of 350 Community Calendars that ran during the month of July 1998. Topics included; activities, seniors, meetings, arts and children.

Station Tours

There were 6 tours given during the month of July 1998.

| July 2 | Cultural Homestay |
|---------|-------------------|
| July 9 | Cultual Homestay |
| July 10 | PECI |
| July 15 | Club House |
| July 16 | Nord America |
| July 22 | Cultural Homestay |
| | |

Speaking Engagements

There were a total of 6 speaking engagements during the month of July 1998. They were as follows:

| July 4 | KiSBY | Cayucos 4th of July Parade | |
|---------|--------------|----------------------------|---------------------|
| July 9 | Barry Pintar | Christian Women's Club | Vets Hall/Morro Bay |
| July 10 | John Summer | Leadership SLO | Madonna Inn/SLO |
| July 16 | John Myers | KCBX/CASA | |
| July 16 | John Summers | Cambria Newcomers Club | |
| July 18 | John Summers | PR Library Foundation | PR Library |
| July 24 | Tony Cippola | Arts Center | Mission Plaza |

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Significant Needs and Problems as Addressed by the Community Affairs Department Month of August 1998

Public Service Announcements

A total of 1,380 announcements were run during the month of Augustl 1998. The breakdown as to which specific community needs they addressed is as follows:

| Plar | nning and Growth | None |
|------|------------------------------|------|
| Wat | ter | |
| | Conserving California Water | 19 |
| Hot | sing | None |
| Gov | ernment Involvement | |
| | Amnesty International | 28 |
| | Volunteers/America Beautiful | 25 |
| | Anti-Discrimination | 9 |
| | Peace Corp | 4 |
| | Americorp | 28 |
| | Volunteers | 11 |
| Soci | ial Services | |
| | EOC | 11 |
| | Foster Parents | 7 |
| | Hotline | 1 |
| | Paralyzed Vets/Careers | 1 |
| | Child/CASA | 42 |
| | Summer Food Program | 5 |
| | C.A.R.E. | 3 |
| | Special Olympics | 35 |
| Ani | mals | None |
| Sen | ior Citizens | |
| | Senior Centers | 2 |
| Hea | lth Information/Services | |
| | Alzheimers | 2 |
| | Skin Cancer/Suspicious Spot | 6 |
| | Skin Cancer/93 Million Miles | 8 |

| | Tobacco Education | 13 |
|------------|---|---|
| | Healthy Babies/Tightrope | 29 |
| | Healthy Babies/Salt'n'Pepa | 7 |
| | Red Cross/Local Disaster | 22 |
| | Mental Health Insurance | 8 |
| | Safe Sex | 1 |
| | Condoms | 30 |
| | YMCA | 6 |
| | Pediatric AIDS | 17 |
| | Controlling Diabetes | 31 |
| | Narcotics Anonymous | 29 |
| 9. | Environment | |
| | Oceans/Kelsey | 4 |
| | Exploration Year/Oceans | 4 |
| | Fess Parker/Adopt A Highway | 6 |
| | Clean Oceans/JFK | 22 |
| | Rain Forest | 37 |
| | Land Conservancy | 4 |
| | Keep California Beautiful | 2 |
| | CA State Parks | 31 |
| | | |
| 10. | Traffic Control | None |
| 10. 11. | Traffic Control Children/Education | None |
| | | None |
| | Children/Education | None 62 |
| | Children/Education The More You Know | |
| | Children/Education The More You Know Children's Issues | 62 |
| | Children/Education The More You Know Children's Issues 4-H Club | 62 1 |
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| | Children/Education The More You Know Children's Issues 4-H Club Bergen/Jordan/Shriners Cuesta College Calendar SLO Historical Society Prevent Child Abuse Adventures II Matches/Lighters Video Boy Youth Fitness | 62 1 8 2 3 20 9 |
| | Children/Education The More You Know Children's Issues 4-H Club Bergen/Jordan/Shriners Cuesta College Calendar SLO Historical Society Prevent Child Abuse Adventures II Matches/Lighters Video Boy Youth Fitness College Fund | 62 1 8 2 3 20 9 |
| | Children/Education The More You Know Children's Issues 4-H Club Bergen/Jordan/Shriners Cuesta College Calendar SLO Historical Society Prevent Child Abuse Adventures II Matches/Lighters Video Boy Youth Fitness College Fund I Teach/Cal Teachers | 62 1 8 2 3 20 9 9 |
| | Children/Education The More You Know Children's Issues 4-H Club Bergen/Jordan/Shriners Cuesta College Calendar SLO Historical Society Prevent Child Abuse Adventures II Matches/Lighters Video Boy Youth Fitness College Fund | 62 1 8 2 3 20 9 9 7 30 |
| | Children/Education The More You Know Children's Issues 4-H Club Bergen/Jordan/Shriners Cuesta College Calendar SLO Historical Society Prevent Child Abuse Adventures II Matches/Lighters Video Boy Youth Fitness College Fund I Teach/Cal Teachers | 62 1 8 2 3 20 9 9 7 30 10 |
| 11. | Children/Education The More You Know Children's Issues 4-H Club Bergen/Jordan/Shriners Cuesta College Calendar SLO Historical Society Prevent Child Abuse Adventures II Matches/Lighters Video Boy Youth Fitness College Fund I Teach/Cal Teachers Inspirational TV | 62 1 8 2 3 20 9 9 7 30 10 |
| 11. | Children/Education The More You Know Children's Issues 4-H Club Bergen/Jordan/Shriners Cuesta College Calendar SLO Historical Society Prevent Child Abuse Adventures II Matches/Lighters Video Boy Youth Fitness College Fund I Teach/Cal Teachers Inspirational TV Crime | 62 1 8 2 3 20 9 9 7 30 10 29 |

| | Drunk Driving Prevention | 7 |
|-----|------------------------------|----|
| 13. | Safety | |
| | Kids in the Backseat | 2 |
| | Local Disasters/Red Cross | 39 |
| | Red Cross/Believe In | 34 |
| | Wildland Wildfire Prevention | 14 |
| 14. | Consumer Information | |
| | High Performance House | 14 |
| 15. | Community Events | |
| | Pops By The Sea | 40 |
| | Polish Festival | 11 |
| | Sheriff's Day/SLO County | 8 |
| | Mozart Festival | 30 |
| | Central Coast Wine Festival | 26 |
| | SLO Little Theater | 6 |
| | Taste of SLO | 14 |

Community Calendar

There were a total of 386 Community Calendars that ran during the month of August 1998. Topics include: activities, seniors, meetings, arts and children.

Station Tours

There were five station tours in the month of August 1998:

| August 5 | California Scholastic Press Association |
|-----------|---|
| August 10 | Discovery Day Camp |
| August 14 | Discovery Day Camp |
| August 17 | Local Family/Vanderveen |
| August 28 | Estero Bay Day School |

Speaking Engagements

| August 5 | Jill Rickett | North County Newcomers Club | Avila Beach |
|-----------|--------------|-------------------------------|-------------|
| 1145451 5 | JIII INOROLL | 1401th County 140Wcomers Club | Tivia Deach |

KiSBY Appearances

| August 3 | SLO Blues Baseball Game | San Luig Obigno |
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| August 3 | SLO Blues Baseball Game | San Luis Obispo |

Significant Needs and Problems as Addressed by the Community Affairs Department Month of September 1998

Public Service Announcements

A total of 1,820 announcements were run during the month of September 1998. The breakdown as to which specific community needs they addressed is as follows:

| Plai | aning and Growth | |
|------|----------------------------------|------|
| | None | None |
| Wa | ter | |
| | Conserving California Water | 35 |
| Ног | ising | None |
| Gov | vernment Involvement | |
| | Amnesty International | 44 |
| | Volunteers/America Beautiful | 42 |
| | Vote/Flag | 6 |
| | Anti-Discrimination | 20 |
| | Americorp | 26 |
| Soci | ial Services | |
| | EOC | 12 |
| | Foster Parents | 12 |
| | Hotline/Volunteers | 14 |
| | Holt International Children Fund | 33 |
| | Child/CASA | 32 |
| | Special Olympics | 125 |
| Ani | mals | None |
| Sen | ior Citizens | |
| | Not Interested/Phone Fraud | 16 |
| | Senior Centers | 1 |
| Hea | lth Information/Services | |
| | Skin Cancer/Suspicious Spot | 14 |
| | Skin Cancer/93 Million Miles | 23 |
| | Shriner's Hospital | 6 |
| | Tobacco Education | 19 |
| | Healthy Babies/Tightrope | 27 |
| | Healthy Babies/Salt'n'Pepa | 9 |
| | Mental Health Insurance | 8 |
| | Condoms | 26 |

| | Mental Health/Tipper | 25 |
|-----|---------------------------|------|
| | YMCA | 12 |
| | Pediatric Specialists | 5 |
| | Pediatric AIDS | 18 |
| | Alzheimer Fund Raiser | 19 |
| | Controlling Diabetes | 30 |
| | Narcotics Anonymous | 29 |
| 9. | Environment | |
| | Oceans/Kelsey | 1 |
| | Ocean Exploration | 8 |
| | Adopt A Highway | 11 |
| | Oceans/JFK | 16 |
| | Rain Forest | 29 |
| | CA State Parks | 25 |
| | American Oceans | 1 |
| | Arbor Day | 3 |
| | Forest Rescue | 11 |
| | Land Conservancy | 8 |
| | CA State Parks | 29 |
| 10. | Traffic Control | None |
| 11. | Children/Education | |
| | | |
| | The More You Know | |
| | Children's Issues | 33 |
| | Prevent Child Abuse | 9 |
| | Cuesta College Calendar | 17 |
| | SLO Historical Society | 3 |
| | Camp Fire Club | 2 |
| | Adventures II | 11 |
| | Matches/Lighters | 4 |
| | Lottery PSA | 4 |
| | College Fund | 28 |
| | I Teach | 12 |
| 12. | Crime | |
| | Rape Issues/ Dress | 4 |
| | Rape Issues/Elevator | 3 |
| | Where Have Children Gone | 30 |
| | DUI Prevention | 9 |
| 13. | Safety | |
| | Local Disasters/Red Cross | 24 |
| | Highway Safety | 10 |
| | | |

| | Red Cross/Believe In | 26 |
|-----|-------------------------------------|----|
| | SLO City Fire | 3 |
| | Learn from a Dummy | 9 |
| | Wildland Fire | 19 |
| 14. | Consumer Information | |
| | High Performance House | 15 |
| | Baby Changes Everything | 2 |
| 15. | Community Events | |
| | Pops By The Sea/SLO Symphony | 15 |
| | Afternoon at the Ranch/Hospice | 38 |
| | Polish Festival | 7 |
| | SLO County Sheriff's Day | 31 |
| | Hotline Bowl-A-Thon | 45 |
| | Central Coast Wine Festival | 11 |
| | SLO Little Theater | 28 |
| | Terry Fox Run/Cancer Research | 19 |
| | Cuesta Season | 15 |
| | Al Jarreau/Partnership for Children | 50 |

Community Calendar

There were a total of 454 Community Calendars that ran during the month of September 1998. Topics include: activities, seniors, meetings, arts and children.

Station Tours

There were no station tours in September.

Speaking Engagements

| September 24 | Jill Rickett | Air Pollution Prevention Awards |
|--------------|---------------|---------------------------------|
| September 25 | Sharon Graves | Home School/No. SLO County |

KiSBY Appearances

| September 12 | Johnson's For Children | Santa Maria |
|--------------|---------------------------|-------------|
| September 19 | Museum of Natural History | Morro Bay |

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NEWS FEATURE

July 2, 1998

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California unveils a new state of the art finger-print machine today. It's called "Live Scan". It is designed to help speed up background checks for school employees who work near students. The new fingerprint program is part of a law passed last year, following the murder of a Sacramento High school student by a school employee.

NEWS FEATURE

July 7, 1998

11pm

:25

Trial of six people accused of murdering a Paso Robles man gets underway. Raul Moss-Quada, 25-yrs. old, was stabbed to death several months ago. Many Paso Robles residents say the violent crime is a sign of increased gang activity in their city. The six defendants will be tried together. With so many defendants, the trial is expected to be a long one. Jury selection starts tomorrow.

NEWS FEATURE

July 7, 1998

11pm

:25

The young man convicted of manslaughter in the shooting death of a Goleta HS student will learn his sentence on Friday. The sentencing scheduled today for Tung Minh Huynh is postponed until the end of next week. Huynh faces up to forty years in prison for shooting Dos Pueblos student Southwest Vang. Prosecutors want first degree murder. The jury felt Huynh was acting in self defense.

NEWS FEATURE

July 9, 1998

5, 6 & 11pm 9:31

Just a year ago, Gary Devore, a Carpinteria screenwriter, vanished. A year ago he had been in New Mexico visting actress Marsha Mason and he was driving back to Carpinteria. Amazingly enough a tip on the Internet lead police to Northern Los Angeles County and the town of Palmdale. In Palmdale, they resurrected his car out of the aqueduct. With the vehicle now in the hands of investigators many questions still remain regarding what exactly happened to the 57 year old screenwriter. For now the CHP is following a theory that begins on the Highway 14 bridge in Palmdale. The CHP state that they are handling it as a traffic collision, they have physical diagrams and a lot of sophisticated equipment they use to get it, it could be anywhere from a few weeks to a few months, to finish the diagram. That diagram could include a theory as to how Devore's Ford Explorer went off the road. The question is, did an accident actually take place or is there foul play involved? Records show that there were no bridge repairs in either June or July of 1997, the same time Devore disappeared on his trip back home from New Mexico. Then there is the question of the e-mail message. The man who sent the e-mail, Douglas Crawford, says he had never heard of Gary Devore until eleven days ago, the anniversary of Devore's disappearance. So far investigators say they have no reason to doubt Crawford, who took the Santa Barbara Sheriff's Department to the aqueduct on Tuesday. There was a body strapped behind the wheel, and the airbag was deployed, the body is believed to be Devore's. Currently an investigation of the email is going on and the man who sent it. Douglas Crawford, has a theory that Devore and his vehicle, were underwater. The other questions that remain are that if Gary Devore fell asleep and crashed off the bridge, why was no damage reported to Law enforcement authorities? At this point authorities say they have no reason to doubt Crawford's version of events and the investigation continues.

NEWS FEATURE July 10, 1998 5, 6 & 11 5:08

Today official word that the remains inside that submerged Ford Explorer are indeed those of the 57 year old Carpinteria man who has been missing for a year, Gary Devore. This afternoon the Los Angeles County Coroners office was able to make the identification through Devore's dental records, but so far there is no official cause of his death. The Coroners office says at this time they do not suspect foul play, but more tests will be run on Devore's body this weekend. So far, the most widespread theory is that Devore may have fallen asleep at the wheel after a long drive home from New Mexico last June 28th and somehow crashed off this bridge on Highway 14 and into the aqueduct. The CHP says investigators will now attempt to re-trace the events of that night. So far, there are any number of clues that have left some unsure of the crash theory. Caltrans says no repair work was done to the bridge's guard rails last July and his publicist believes there is a lot still to learn about his death. A San Diego anthropologist will be examining Devore's remains this weekend, and that even though much of the body had decomposed, there were still enough tissues left for toxicology tests, with results hopefully coming sometime next week.

NEWS FEATURE July 14, 1998 5pm 2:00

A young mother is going to prison for abusing her child. It is the first case of it's kind in SLO. Today, a judge handed down a sentence for Maria Diaz, 23-yrs. old. The sentence was 7-yrs. to life in prison, handed down by SLO County Superior Court Judge Money. He handed it down to the mother accused of poisoning her child. The Nipomo woman pleaded no contest to charges of torture. Prosecutors say that Diaz repeatedly fed her son Pepe Perez acid to get attention from the baby 's father. It began when Pepe was 9-mos. old and continued until he was 3-yrs. old. He landed in the hospital at least 12 times and has permanent damage. Maria Diaz was diagnosed with Munchausen by Proxy Syndrome last year. It is a form of child abuse where a parent intentionally makes a child sick to get attention. Prosecutors say they have no sympathy for Maria. Pepe is 4-yrs. old now and lives with a foster family in SLO County. Maria must spend seven years in prison before she is elibible for parole.

NEWS FEATURE July 15, 1998 5pm 2:25

It has been 1-mo. and 26-days silnce two SMPD officers killed Dwaine Sanchez, 26-yrs. old. Today a press conference shed new light on the incident. From a standing room only press conference the Chief of Police leaves Santa Maria residents dissatisfied. Police say that the two officers involved acted properly based on circumstances. Today more was learned about what led up to the incident. It is the Chief of Police's professional opinion that they acted appropriately. The Chief cleared Norman Come and Mark Singleton of any wrongdoing in the shooting. Police were looking for Sanchez because he had threatened a couple with a gun earlier in the day. Police later spotted him and Sanchez pulled over. Officers exited their car with guns drawn and began giving instructions to Sanchez. Sanchez responded with verbal assaults and sped away.

He later tried to run the officers over with his car. Skid marks prove the car was speeding backwards. Sanchez associates disagree. It was also revealed that Sanchez was carrying a stolen semi-auto weapon, lying between his feet in the car; pocket clips for the gun in his pocket and drugs. Autopsy showed that Sanchez had methamphetimine in his system. Questions about why it took 18-shots to stop the subject still remain unanswered. 10 of the 18 shots fired hit Sanchez.

NEWS FEATURE

July 14, 1998

5pm

:35

A traffic stops turns into a standoff near SLO today. It happened at a Blarney Ln. home. It began when a CHP stoped a man on the Cuesta Grade. The officer forgot to return the man's license so he decided to take it the man's home. When the officer arrived he noticed an argument was going on and a gun was being loaded. The Sheriff's Dept. called out the SWAT team. One man, then two others, gave themselves up. The names of the suspects have not been released.

NEWS FEATURE

July 15, 1998

6, 11pm

2:08

Local law enforcement agents infiltrate gang neighborhoods on the Central Coast. The raid was done in hopes of finding the gunman responsible for a weekend shooting. The raids began just after sun-up this morning in Guadalupe and Santa Maria, all nineteen of them. It took nearly 100 officers to pull off the multi-agency operation. They say the raids are supposed to send a message that this is a serious problem. Investigators arrested five people on various charges including possession of drugs, unlawful possession of a weapon and probation violations. The charges are not linked to this weekend's shootings. Instead the sheriff's department plans to use confiscated items like guns and gang paraphenilia to lead it to the suspects. On Saturday night, three people were hospitalized with gunshot and stab wounds sustained at a party in Santa Maria. Investigators say they believe they know who's responsible for the shooting and it's just a matter of time before they make an arrest.

NEWS FEATURE

July 16, 1998

6,11pm

1:00

The search is over for a Guadalupe man who has been evading the law for two days. This morning, local authorities arrested Andy Arreola, 34-yrs. old, after he called his probation officer asking to be turned in. Arreola is the man involved in a standoff with police at his Nipomo home. A SWAT team moved in to arrest Arreola after he allegedly threatened a San Luis Obispo Deputy with a knife. Arreola is now in the SLO County Jail being held without bail.

NEWS FEATURE

July 16, 1998

6pm

:20

Bomb experts are expected in a Santa Maria neighborhood where law enforcement officers are investigating a possible pipe bomb. A resident in the 300 block of S. Oakley St. found the device. it is described as a pipe capped at both ends. It was found in a gutter around 2:30pm this afternoon.

NEWS FEATURE

July 16, 1998

11pm

:30

Sheriff's detectives make an arrest in a gang related shooting on Telephone Rd. in Santa Maria. SB County detectives arrested Jose Francisco Rodriguez, 19-yrs. old. He is

behind bars on a charge of attempted murder. Rodriguez is suspected of shooting three people at a weekend party.

NEWS FEATURE

July 18, 1998

11pm

:20

Pismo Beach PD is looking for a man involved in a stabbing at Pismo Beach Pier on Thursday. They are searching for an Arroyo Grande man who allegedly stabbed another person after a fight in the parking lot. The suspect is Cano Sanchez, 18-yrs. old. Police do not know if he is still in the area.

NEWS FEATURE

July 20, 1998

5,6pm

3:39

More delays for the Vandenberg Credit Union murder trial. Two of the suspects in the shooting were supposed to appear in court today. But one of them did not show up and some of the lawyers are having contract disputes. A transportation mix-up left alleged trigger man Gregory Mitchell at the jail this afternoon. His attorney said the county isn't paying him for his services. He is a private attorney who was contracted by Santa Barbara County as an alternate defense lawyer. He's supposed to take care of cases that the public defender's office can't handle for conflict of interest or any other reason. But his contract expired mid-July. He believes this case is so complicated that it's unreasonable to expect him to finish it without additional pay. The judge couldn't decide on the outcome of this today, since the defendants weren't in court.

NEWS FEATURE

July 21, 1998

5,6,11pm

5:35

According to CA's Attorney General it is the largest environmental settlement in the State's history. Unocal agrees to pay the State \$43.8 Million for the environmental damage it caused in the Guadalupe Dunes. The settlement still needs the approval of a Superior Court Judge to make it official. Nonetheless, the agreeement promises to close a chapter of Central Coast history: For more than four decades Unocal funneled oil products through Guadalupe Dunes during which massive amounts of contaminants leaked into the surroundings. About 12-million gallons of diluent spilled into the dunes. It has taken six years to put a price tag on the damage, but after ongoing negotiations both sides flushed out a figure. The state promises to pump more than half into SLO and SB Counties. The funds will be used for water quality projects as well as restoration of natural resources.

NEWS FEATURE

July 22, 1998

5,6pm

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Scrubby & Lloyd's, a diner on Carmel St. in SLO that has been serving burgers for years, was hit by a gunman. Earlier this month a man walked into a restaurant, pulled out a gun, demanded money from the clerk and fled the scene with the cash. Police released a composite drawing of the suspect today: He is a white male, 25 to 30-yrs. old, around 6-ft. tall, 195-lbs. with sandy brown hair.

NEWS FEATURE

July 22, 1998

5,6pm

1:00

It was a crime that left one Arroyo Grande man stabbed with wounds all over his body. Now the two men accused of the attempted murder know how long they will spend behind bars. Travis Lee Carter, 25-yrs. old, and Willie Ray Clark, 19-yrs. old, pleaded, "No contest," to the December stabbing. Today, a SLO County Judge sentenced Clark

to 9-yrs. in State Prison. Carter was sentenced earlier to 13-yrs. behind bars.

NEWS FEATURE

July 23, 1998

5,11pm

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A black suitcase that looked, "out of place," caused commotion on the UCSB Campus;. Before 8:00 am Campus police sealed off a section in the central part of the campus. The briefcase was sitting on cement near the bus loop where city buses pick up and drop off. The SB County Bomb Squad opened the suitcase with a mechanical device. Nothing was inside. Police say it might be a case of someone just trying to dispose of the suitcase.

NEWS FEATURE

July 23, 1998

5,11pm

1:40

One of the two men arrested in the largest meth labs bust on the Central Coast in years speaks out. Howard Leasure, arrested four months ago, is charged with operating a meth lab. This week the charges against him were dropped. The case may be over, but the DA says they have three years to file new charges. The man who says he was falsely accused promises we will hear more from him in days to come.

NEWS FEATURE

July 28, 1998

6pm

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Lompoc PD is searching for a man suspected of raping a Lompoc woman. A sketch of the man they are looking for is being distributed. The suspect is described as a Hispanic male, 30-yrs. old, 5ft. 10 in. with short black hair. He has a gap between his two upper teeth and a tattoo of the Virgin Mary on his upper right arm. It is alleged the man forced her into his car, near her home in Lompoc. He then drove her to Harris Grade and raped her. he drove an order, dark-green, two-door Oldsmobile with custom mag wheels.

NEWS FEATURE

July 28, 1998

6pm

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A dog mauled a 9-yr. old girl last night, leaving her with deep wounds. The animal is under quarantine at a pound in Goleta. The Chow-Labrador mix just had puppies. It was those puppies that prompted the attack outside a laundromat in Isla Vista. The young girl tried to pet one of the puppies and the dog attacked. Paramedics treated the girl at the scene. She is home now, recovering from deep bites to her back, hip and arm. The dog belongs to a homeless woman. No word on the fate of the animal.

NEWS FEATURE

July 29, 1998

6,11pm

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Lompoc Police arrest a suspect in a kidnapping and rape. Elisiel Avila Torres, a 30-yr. old man from Solvang, was arrested earlier today. Torres is accused of kidnapping a Lompoc woman on Monday, taking her to Harris Grade and raping her. Torres is in jail tonight, held on \$40,000.00 bail.

NEWS FEATURE

July 29, 1998

5,6,11pm

1:35

A drug bust in Santa Maria turns up three explosive devices and other things as well. Santa Barbara Sheriff's Deputies were called to a mobile home park near the airport at 7 am this morning. Deputies found drug paraphenelia along with two pipe bombs and one explosive device at the S. Blosser home. Joaquin Rayes Chavez is behind bars tonight facing charges of possession of a destructive device and possession of drug

paraphenelia. The bomb squad did not have to detonate any of the bombs.

NEWS FEATURE

July 29, 1998

5,6,11pm

1:30

Today, Cal-Trans crews discovered a pipe bomb on the Milpas off-ramp of northbound Hwy. 101. CHP was called to the scene. The off-ramp was closed down and traffic was slowed through the area. The pipe bomb is described as a blue CO2 canister with a fuse. Officials say it was indeed a bomb and blew it up. No one was injured.

NEWS FEATURE

July 29, 1998

5,6,11pm

1:20

An autopsy done on the body of a man found at Lake Lopez gives little information as to how he died. Campers found the body yesterday down a steep embankment next to a campsite. The Sheriff's Dept. identified the victim as Michael Wayne Johnson, 51-yrs. old, who is believed to be from SLO County. Authorities are waiting for the toxicology report to shed some light on how he died.

FCC REPORTS ECONOMY JULY 1998

NEWS FEATURE July 3, 1998

5,6 & 11

3:05

The Central Coast is a popular destination for 4th of July travelers. Hotels are turning people away. Campsite spaces in Pismo Beach are jam packed and you must have a reservation to get in. The camp sites have been reserved for months. Some campers traveled all the way from Canada. They will begin taking reservations for next 4th of July on January 4, 1999.

NEWS FEATURE July 8, 1998

11pm

2:18

A recent report indicates that credit cards are leading many people to bankruptcy. But at the same time, banks continue to expand their marketing. This new study shows credit cards represent two trillion dollars in consumer debt--representing about twenty thousand dollars per household. A woman in Virginia, who declines to be identified, accrued over fifteen thousand dollars on her credit cards recently. And, although, she was paying the minimum each month, banks kept extending her limits. Many people feel the credit card companies are encouraging people to charge more and more knowing they are not capable of paying. And there are a lot of people out here that are not sensible enough to know they're at their limit. When she couldn't pay any more, she sought counseling and worked out a plan for her creditors. According to consumer groups, it's lending practices like these that are pushing many people into bankruptcy. A record 1.3 million filings last year. At the same time credit card mailings topped three billion. The Consumer Federation of America says banks are expanding their credit card marketing--while at the same time lobbying to restrict consumer access to bankruptcy. Banks are hypocritical to seek bankruptcy restrictions when their irresponsible marketing and credit extension has been an important cause in bankruptcies. Although a large percentage of American families are managing their finances well and managing to make their credit card payments.

NEWS FEATURE July 14, 1998 5pm 1:05

It is tough for San Luis teens to find a job. Many P/T positions are given to college students with some experience. SLO's Parks and Recreation Dept. has a new job training program for teens. It is called, "City-Core." City-Core is a two-day training program. Teens learn about different divisions in the Dept. They are required to volunteer 60-hrs. to get on the job experience. This is a real good program to give teens the experience they usually lack. City-Core's goal is to place the trainees in a job within a year. The next program is set for August 17 & 18, 1998. Call 781-7300 for more information.

NEWS FEATURE July 15, 1998 6pm :35

Light are falshing and the slots are still screaming at the Chumash Casino in Santa Ynez. The Casino is open for business today, despite the fact that the Chumash Indian Tribe has not signed a deal with Governor Pete Wilson. The deadline to sign was yesterday. Five other indian trives in N. California have already signed the agreement. The deal

allows the tribes to conduct the same type of gaming the CA State Lottery may conduct. A hearing begins Monday on a Federal lawsuit seeking an injunction to shut down illegal gaming machines.

NEWS FEATURE

July 16, 1998

5,6pm

1:10

A confusing intersection in Paso Robels is now safer to travel through. A million dollar project to expand the Arco Gas Station on Black Oak Dr. is finished. The owner and community leaders held a ribbon cutting ceremony this morning. Part of the remodeling includes changing the intersection at Black Oak and 24th St. Paso Robles say confused drivers used to cause traffic going in and out of the station. Now traffic flows smoothly. That gas station is one of the first to use pumps that accept ATM cards as well as dollar bills directly at the pump.

NEWS FEATURE

July 16, 1998

6,11pm

4:40

A Synergy project where the business world uses knowledge and skills from a nearby university is coming to the Central Coast. This project would be called the California Central Coast Research Park. Its goal will be to create a serious high-tech industry. An independent study shows SLO can, and should, have a research park in the very near future. Research parks should include a financial commitment from Cal Poly and should be close to the campus. Only home-grown businesses should be allowed to enter the park. An Ad-Hoc group behind the proposed research park hopes to have their organization formed in the next ten days. And they have scheduled a public workshop to discuss the research park for August 11, 1998.

NEWS FEATURE

July 18, 1998

6,11pm

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High temperatures mean big business for some stores on the Central Coast: Beach toys to fans are all hot tickets right now. You can't be particular though, because after a few weeks of hot weather it is slim pickings. Everybody comes out of the woodwork looking for fans and toys and they all sell within a few hours.

NEWS FEATURE

July 19, 1998

6,11pm

5:00

Montana de Oro has the attention of its local residents because of a State proposed users fee for visitors to the park. Currently, people can enter and use the park for free. SLO County Supervisors are sympathetic to the state's of having to run the park and having to charge. The park was bought by California 33-yrs. ago. The fee has not been charged yet because the road into it is controlled by the county. If the county gives up the road there is no telling how high the prices could go. Some say they will not come to the park if a fee is charged and others say they will.

NEWS FEATURE

July 20, 1998

5, 6 & 11

4:02

The latest thing in the wine industry is to target those born after 1970, the Gen-X group as they're called. It's a new magazine, called Wine-X, with articles about wine and rock n' roll. It's appealing to an audience that usually prefers beer with a chaser of attitude. This new magazine has hip, irreverant wine reviews. A tasting manager says it's not stuffy and more playful and fun, so it would probably keep the younger readers turning the page.

NEWS FEATURE

July 21, 1998

11pm

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Today, 81% of the registered nurses at Arroyo Grande Community Hospital voted to join the State's largest nurse's Union. The decision to affiliate themselves with the California Nurses Association came in a secret ballot election. The workers followed in the footsteps of their sister hospital, French Hospital Medical Center in SLO.

NEWS FEATURE

July 23, 1998

11pm

1:50

Xing Technology, a local company from SLO, has found a way to turn you computer into a music machine. MP3 technology makes your computer a personal jukebox. It allows you to compress and store music files on your computer. MP# compresses songs to 1/10 its normal size without any loss in sound quality. Xing Tech. is only one of two companies that make MP3 encoders, the device that allows CDs to be converted to your computer. Up to 200 songs can be stored.

NEWS FEATURE

July 24, 1998

5, 6pm

2:55

A bill up for vote comes at a critical time when farmers can't find enough people to pick this year's bumper crop of fruits and vegetables. But, some advocates for migrant labor rights say this bill is a step in the wrong direction. The bill also allows the department of labor to set a cap on the number of workers allowed to enter the U.S. The California Farm Bureau plans to fight that part of the bill. Two things could happen, the bill could be sent to the house then the President for approval. Or it could be finalized by a joint appropriations committee, without ever going to the full House. The bill is sponsored by a group of senators from Oregon, Idaho and Florida. California State Senators Diane Feinstein and Barbara Boxer are against it.

FCC REPORTS GROWTH CONTROL/PLANNING JULY 1998

NEWS FEATURE

July 3, 1998

5,6,11pm

5:30

Hwy. 166 twists and turns through narrow valleys that separate the coast from Kern County. It is a popular road especially in summer. However, it is not a road that is built to handle cars that go 60, sometimes 70 mph. It is very narrow and sometimes offers no shoulder. If you breakdown, you are screwed. So far this year seven crashes have been fatal, including one that killed two CHP officers. Sen. O'Connell announced that CalTrans is taking steps to make it safer: Additional CHP officers will be hired with priority on 166. This is just a start. More changes planned.

NEWS FEATURE

July 3, 1998

5pm

2:30

Wine is a popular tourist attraction along the Central Coast. The annual KCBX Wine Festival is this week and Central Coast wines can now be found on the Internet. One local winery, Edna Valley Vineyards, has just celebrated their first anniversary of having a web site on the Internet. Although you cannot purchase wine on any of the winery web sites, you must go through an organization which offers this service.

NEWS FEATURE

July 6, 1998

6pm

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There are some changes that are taking place at the SLO Children's Museum. One of the changes is a new Executive-Director, Vic Sterling. Vic Sterling was interviewed.

NEWS FEATURE

July 16, 1998

5.6.11pm

1:00

Starting on Saturday, KSBY is kicking off a one hour Saturday morning newscast. Be sure and tune in Saturday for the latest local news, a live look at the Santa Barbara County Fair and insider information about one of the hottest industries on the Central Coast. The new show premieres this Saturday from 7 to 8am.

NEWS FEATURE

July 18, 1997

6,11pm

1:20

A new train station officially opened its doors today. The new Guadalupe Amtrak station is open for business after a grand opening ceremony with a large crowd, including local leaders and Amtrak officials. The new station features regular service on the San Diegan line with daily southbound trips that begin tomorrow. People love the train and the special souvenirs it brings.

NEWS FEATURE

July 21, 1998

5,11pm

1:00

SLO may have a new HomeBase or Target store in the future. Tonight the City Council considers plans for a project called the San Luis Market Place. Developer properties want to put a new retail outlet on the 40-acre Dalidio property next to the Central Coast Mall. It would be a 500,000-acre foot shopping center with two anchor stores and several smaller ones. No decisions will be reached tonight instead the developer will merely present his idea to Council members.

NEWS FEATURE

July 21, 1998

5,6,11pm

4:05

Plans to add 1,500-acres to the City of SLO are moving forward tonight. The SLO Council is considering where to set boundaries for the Airport Area Plan. Those guidelines will give consultants an idea of what the scope of the Environmental Impact Report will be. The water and sewer systems need to be looked at, as well as the roads; how do they work? How will storm drainage be affected. Airport is included on at least one proposal map. County Admin. says they do not want the airport property annexed. Adding the acreage will attract new business into the area. EIR is expected to be ready in a year.

NEWS FEATURE

July 22, 1998

5,6,11pm

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A dangerous intersection in Morro Bay is safer tonight. Road crews installed a traffic light at the intersection of Yerba Buena Rd. and Hwy. 1. Morro Bay residents have been fighting for this light after a series of fatal accidents and near misses at the intersection.

NEWS FEATURE

July 22, 1998

5,6,11pm

1:35

Construction will start to fix the Higuera St. Bridge. City Council voted last night to begin repairs. This means construction should start by next Summer. City officials say it could take 3-mos. to complete at a cost of \$3,000,000.00. Downtown traffic will be reduced to two lanes during the day. Higuera and Osos St. will close at night for several days of the project. City officials say the bridge must be fixed because it is structurally unsafe and may not withstand an earthquake.

NEWS FEATURE

July 22, 1998

5.6,11pm

5:30

SLO City Council has given the developer of the Central Coast Mall the green light to continue plans for a new marketplace. It will be years for the final proposal to go before the board, but the idea is drawing a lot of attention. The plan is to build a 40-acre shopping center on ag land near the mall. The vote was 4 to 1 from City Council and it tells developers they have enough interest in the project for feasibility studies to continue. General plan designates about 40-acres as general retail. Two stores larger than 105,000 sq. ft. are included in proposal. An interchange from Prado Rd. needs to be built.

NEWS FEATURE

July 27, 1998

3:22

The city is making way for a new parking structure downtown. The expansion of San Luis Obispo's Marsh Street Parking structure is finally taking shape. Just after midnight, crews began moving a landmark home out of the way for the parking garage. The house is more than 70 years old and once served as home to the city's parks and recreation department and the new owner bought it for one dollar! The new improved parking structure will provide downtown San Luis Obispo with more than 550 parking spaces.

FCC REPORTS ENVIRONMENT JULY 1998

NEWS FEATURE

July 1, 1998

5,6pm

1:10

Sewer sludge in SLO will be hauled to Kern County. A company called Bio-Grow wanted to dump sewer-sludge on a farm field in San Miguel. The farmer would have received free fertilizer. Neighbors, however, raised a stink, saying the sludge contains dangerous heavy metals. Water Quality Board called for an Environmental Impact Report. Bio-Grow spokesperson says the EIR would take too much time and cost too much. So, they decided to take the sludge to Kern County. Neighbors say they have won.

NEWS FEATURE

July 1, 1998

5,6,11pm

4:55

An all-out effort to prevent an environmental disaster on the Oceano dunes is underway tonight. Right now the Arroyo Grande creek is flowing right over a pipe that carries millions of gallons of treated waste water into the ocean. The creek is eroding the sand that protects the pipe from exposure so County officials are re-directing the creek. The line carries 4,000,000 gallons into the ocean everyday. The erosion could undermine that pipe with possibility of failure so the creek is being moved away from the outfall line to prevent that. The \$20K emergency work is expected to prevent a million dollar environmental disaster. If all goes as planned the creek will be moved south down the beach by tomorrow afternoon.

NEWS FEATURE

July 3, 1998

5,6,11pm

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Some beaches are off limits today, not because of crowds, but because of bad bacteria levels. East Beach at Mission Creek and Rincon Beach are closed due to high bacteria counts. Storm run-off continues to flow into oceans which sparks higher bacteria levels.

NEWS FEATURE

July 3, 1998

5.6pm

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Another sick sea lion swims ashore on the central coast. This seal was found early this morning on a jet ski out near Avila Beach. It was noticed by two lifeguards. When the baby started swimming towards the beach the two lifeguards followed it in. Members of the Marine Mammal Center came to its rescue before the beach filled with 4th of July partiers.

NEWS FEATURE

July 3, 1998

5,6,11pm

4:00

After spending all night looking for food, a black bear cub heads up a tree on Park St. in Paso Robles. Police shut the area down and called in wildlife experts to tackle this bear problem. Young bears like this come out around this time of year. They have been with their mothers but she has kicked him out. He was probably born in February. He is about a year and a half old. The bear was taken out of the tree with two shots from a tranquilizer dart. After a few minutes the bear lost his grip and fell into a tarp. After he awoke, folks at the Fish & Game released him in Los Padres National Forest. If he returns into the community he will have to be put out.

An unusually high tide may force hundreds from the beach to view the 4th of July fireworks show. Police continued to monitor the situation because as the tide gets higher, the beach gets smaller. Police were out since early morning trying to make sure people aren't scrambling for higher ground at the last minute. The high tide is expected to roll in around 7:45pm this evening.

NEWS FEATURE

July 5, 1998

6,11

3:02

During one of the biggest tourist weekends of the year, the 4th of July, a broken sewer pipe spilled as much as 200,000 gallons of raw sewage into Avila Bay yesterday. Since the water is contaminated, visitors have not been allowed to swim in the water off of Avila Beach for most of the weekend. It's supposed to be the busiest weekend of the year at Avila Beach but the lifeguard stands are boarded up and signs warn visitors about a sewage spill. The leak has been fixed but tests of the water aren't back yet. The Health Department hopes to get test results back late tonight or tomorrow morning. People will not be allowed back in the water until it is safe.

NEWS FEATURE

July 6, 1998

5,6,11pm

3:15

Swarms of people are returning to Avila Beach. The popular beach is back open for business. Avila was closed over the holiday weekend. A pipe split and sent 200-million gallons of raw sewage into the ocean. Health officials tested the water on Saturday. Today results show the water is clean. Bacteria levels are 20 tom 50 times below the maximum allowable state standard. Lifeguards were glad to remove the signs, after the clean bill of health, instead of sending people to other beaches. Engineers spent the day repairing the sewage pipe and making sure there are no future leaks.

NEWS FEATURE

July 7, 1998

11pm

:25

A mysterious canister put another Haz-mat team to work. The container was found off of Ontario Rd. just south of San Luis Obispo. The CHP shut down a portion of the road while workers suited up and removed the cylinder. It contents are unknown, but officials say they suspect it was discarded from a methamphetamine lab. They have no suspects so far.

NEWS FEATURE

July 7, 1998

11pm

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The Oceano sand dunes are a four-wheelers heaven. Oceano is the only beach in California where you can actually drive next to the waves. But now the dunes will be under watchful eyes. The county has decided to study the area on an annual basis to make sure the dunes can withstand all the wear and tear. A study at this location will look at visitor safety. The number of accidents will be measured as well as the effects on natural resources. If study shows that vehicles are harming the area officials might restrict traffic even further. Currently, there is a 4,300 vehicle limit for day use on the dunes. The studies will begin when and if the coastal commission approves the plan in August.

NEWS FEATURE

July 8, 1998

5,6pm

1:42

San Luis Obispo is often called SLO town and a local ranch could be called the same thing but for a different reason . . . it's full of turtles and tortoises. Bob and Judy Thomas

have 250 of these animals. They breed them, raise them and rehabilitate injured ones. Then they adopt them out. They are members of the San Luis Obispo chapter of the California Turtles and Tortoise Club. The club attempts to teach people how to care for tortoises and turtles and protect them also. The club is preparing for its annual turtle and tortoise show in September. If you would like more information about the club or want to adopt a turtle or tortoise, call Bob Thomas at 481-5222.

NEWS FEATURE

July 10, 1998

6,11pm

1:15

Two horses are home safe tonight. They had been stranded in Los Padres National Forest for a week. Equine Evac of Santa Barbara worked with a Los Angeles Crew to save the animals. It is the first time horses have been rescued by helicopter on the Central Coast; and today's conditions were especially difficult. Two horses were confined together. A helicopter is picking one horse up, that is sedated, but you also have to keep control and have the other horse sedated. It took five hours to get the horses out. They are both home in good condition. An anonymous donor offered to pay the thousands of dollars for the rescue.

NEWS FEATURE

July 14, 1998

5pm

1:45

A new species of insect, thrips, has been attacking avocado farms all over the Central Coast. It's a close relative to the citrus eating thrips and was discovered two years ago in Ventura County. Farmers say it's a problem two years in the making, thrips are bugs smaller than a grain of rice. Farmers say an out-of control thrip infestation could potentially kill half an orchard, costing farmers three to five thousand dollars an acre, and that means consumers will feel the blow. Farmers say the next step is to find a biological solution to the problem. They say scientists are currently looking for a predatory insect that will feed on the thrips without destroying other crops.

NEWS FEATURE

July 15, 1998

11pm

:37

Last night in San Luis Obispo just before eight o'clock, firefighters were called to a house on Fixlini Street in northeast San Luis. The multi-level home had smoke pouring out of its top level. no one was home when the fire broke out. And San Luis Obispo firefighters got control of the fire within minutes. No word yet, on damages or on a possible cause. Also tonight, a grassfire burning in N. San Luis Obispo County put out a lot of smoke. Airtankers helped get the 850 acre blaze under control.

NEWS FEATURE

July 22, 1998

5,6,11pm

1:20

Two separate fires ate up some grass fields near the Men's Colony in SLO. Crews fought the fire from the air and the ground, moving fast to make sure the dry brush did not fuel the flames. In all, about 25-acres burned on the Fox Trot Range. That fire is under control tonight, but the cause remains under investigation. And just to the North, at Heritage Ranch near Nacimiento Lake, another fire breaks out. Officials say this fire was very small and posed no threat to residence.

NEWS FEATURE

July 22, 1998

6pm

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An environmental preserve may be in the works for SLO. City Council members approved a motion to apply for a \$100,000 grant from the North American Wetlands

Conservation Act Program. The money would help purchase 80-acres of Wetlands at the Morganti Ranch in SLO making it an environmental preserve.

NEWS FEATURE

July 22, 1998

5,6,11pm

6:10

Last the big deal was announced between Unocal and California for over \$44 Million. \$15 Million of that settlement will be kept solely for environmental restoration projects in SLO and SB Counties. There are already 50 different projects vying for a chunk of the change. Every type of group is making requests: State officials, schools, locals and conservation groups.

NEWS FEATURE

July 22, 1998

5,6,11pm

1:20

SB County is being sued for \$1,000,000.00 in damages because of drinking water. Charles and Judith Chase are one of four families who say their ground water is being contaminated by a Solvang landfill. The lawsuit charges their well water is unfit to drink. They say the problem is the nearby Ballard Canyon Landfill which closed 30-yrs. ago. The county has been supplying all four families with bottled water.

NEWS FEATURE

July 24, 1998

5,6 & 11pm

3:10

Pismo clams have made Pismo Beach famous, but to find one you have to dig deep. The reason is because the number of legal-size clams are down, way down. The El Nino storms have ravaged the clams. Legal-size is defined as four and a half inches wide. You can still find smaller clams but the larger ones have already been eaten. The sea otters rediscovered the pismo clam. There are still lots of clams in the sand, they're just not big enough to eat. And it may take awhile for them to reach legal size, maybe about five months.

NEWS FEATURE

July 27, 1998

5, 6 & 11

3:08

The El Nino winter storms have wreaked havoc on San Luis Obispo county roads. County Emergency Services states that there was a lot of damage, and a lot of it was landslide type damage and road buckling. A lot of the damage looks like it came from an earthquake. Right now they are attempting to repair the roads but there is a lot of governmental red tape because some of the road repairs are waiting for an environmental review process to go on and the attempt to obtain those environmental permits. No one knows how long those reviews will take. In the meantime the county has one and a half million dollars in road damage. Once the repairs are ready to be made, up to ninety five percent of the cost of the repairs will be reimbursed by the federal or state government.

FCC REPORTS SOCIAL CONCERNS & MATTERS JULY 1998

NEWS FEATURE

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July 1, 1998

5,6pm

2:00

The owner of a Santa Maria recycling plant where a propane tank exploded last May is asking for help for the survivors. Today, SM Fire and Stepen Recycling held a blood drive and lunch in honor of men burned in a blast and in memory of the one who died. More than 200 people showed up for the fundraiser. Money will help Luis Chavez and Salurino Diaz with doctor expenses and future treatments. Extra precautions are being taken to make sure this does not happen again. Mid-State Bank is accepting donations.

NEWS FEATURE

July 1, 1998

5,6pm

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Lompoc's N. H Street is set for an extensive re-surfacing project. The project will start this month and should be finished by October. All of the old pavement will be removed. CalTrans says they will avoid peak travel periods and try to avoid motorist delays.

NEWS FEATURE

July 1, 1998

5,6,11pm

2:20

As many as 20K people are expected out on the Oceano Dunes over the 4th of July weekend. Campers are already rolling in for the holiday. All 1,000 campsites were booked two weeks ago. State Park rangers say more than 4,000 day visitors will pass through the park each day over the weekend. Officials are gearing up for the crowd with extra staff. They will come up to full staff and add more from other units throughout the state. They will also have help of Search & Rescue from SLO County. Search & Rescue will handle first aid calls while park rangers will ensure safe conditions on the dunes. Rangers will also be on look-out for reckless or drunk drivers.

NEWS FEATURE

July 1, 1998

6,11pm

3:00

Some call them crazy, but social workers call them saints. Today, special honors go out to Jack and Luana Herlihy. they have raised 10-children of their own, adopted 6-more; and then 3-yrs. ago they opened their home to 8-foster children. 14-kids in their house is a challenge, but worth it. There is a need for foster parents. Today, the SLO County Dept. of Social Services presented the Herlihys with the Foster Family of the Year Award. A well-deserved honor for a very special couple.

NEWS FEATURE

July 2, 1998

5,6,11pm

1:10

According to the 1997 Police Statistics, San Luis Obispo is a very safe place to live. Major crimes are down six percent from the year before. Overall crime is down by four percent. That's despite the fact calls for service went up 26 per cent to a record level. Police responded to more than 30,000 phone calls

NEWS FEATURE

July 2, 1998

5,6

2:00

After 4,000,000 miles and 40-yrs. on the road a Central Coast truck driver is about to retire, with something to brag about. Bill Miller has never been in one accident and never called in sick in all the years and miles. Today he made his last minute checks

on his 18-wheeler before turning it in to JB Dewar Petroleum Co. Bill says he is ready to retire but will miss his job. He will sleep normal hours and spend time with his 7 kids and 14 grandchildren. JB Dewar is giving Bill an Alaskan Cruise for his excellent services throughout the years.

NEWS FEATURE

July 3, 1998

5,6,11pm

2:05

Plenty of cities will be putting on free firework shows if you cannot make it out to Avila Beach tonight. The following cities are going to put them on: Pismo Beach and Cayucos will have displays by their piers, Morro Bay will have their's along the embarcadero, Cambria's will be held at Shamel Park and Santa Maria Fairgrounds will have a show. Meridian Vineyards is putting on a show to benefit the Alisa Ann Ruch Burn Foundation. This show carries a small cost but is for a good cause. If you are in Santa Barbara you can catch the celebration at the West Beach Waterfront. If you are in Goleta, go to the UCSB Harder Stadium for a show.

NEWS FEATURE

July 3, 1998

5,6,11pm

4:30

Avila Beach is having a fireworks show tonight, the day before the big show. Some showed up as early as 2:00 am to reserve a firepit, table and good seat for the show. There was entertainment on the sand with games and prizes. A bash is set up for 500-people at Stephanie's on the Bay. Avila is celebrating a day before so that they do not conflict with other shows. There is limited parking so leave early if you plan to go. The display shoots off at 9:30 tonight off the Unocal Pier.

NEWS FEATURE

July 3, 1998

5pm

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A local writer hopes to work some magic for a little girl with a rare disease. Brian Irwin of Santa Maria has just released a children's magic book. It is called, "Out of the Hat..." and all the profits will go toward the Stephanie Snow Fund. Stephanie had her story told on KSBY. She is a girl that suffers from a rare bone disease called FOP. You can order the book by calling 1-800-314-4556. The book costs \$4.50.

NEWS FEATURE

July 6, 1998

5,6pm

1:05

It is estimated that there are 25,000 people who are in some way physically disabled. Ken Cummings is one of many athletes who are bringing attention to the plight of the disabled citizen. Ken's face might be familiar to many. His story has been covered for over a year. He is a quadraplegic who has wheeled himself across the USA to raise money for spinal cord injury research. He is back on the Central Coast tonight to make an announcement about his future plans. Ken will be at the Pismo Best Western Shore Cliff Hotel at 5:30 pm.

NEWS FEATURE

July 6, 1998

5,6pm

4:15

A local group is starting an effort to open one of the area's largest reservoirs to the public. The ground under Twitchell Reservoir is owned by the government. But the surrounding lands, 30,000 acres of rangeland, are privately owned. Most of it is owned by the Newhall Land & Farming Co. A local group, Twitchell Recreational Use Enhancement or TRUE, want these waters opened up to the public. They claim that public access to public water is required by law. SM Valley Water Cons. Group says that

this will contradict the original purpose of the reservoir. 1,000 acres of public land are on the reservoir but there is no public access to that land. Roads, launching docks and campgrounds would have to built for it to be useable.

NEWS FEATURE

July 6, 1998

6,11pm

2:15

A SLO bookstore is playing host to a thought provoking exhibit. It is a display of pictures that capture life inside gay and lesbian households. It shows the day to day triumphs and tragedies of homosexual families. The traveling display at Barnes & Nobles in SLO has been making its way around the nation. Some telling moments inside homosexual families are told. Photos show families of differing races with homosexual parents, grandparents or kids. The exhibit is called, "Love Makes a Family: Living in Lesbian and Gay Families." Display will be in town for one week. On July 12 the exhibit will be part of the Gay Pride Street Festival in Mission Plaza.

NEWS FEATURE

July 6, 1998

6pm

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Local farmer's group hopes a survey will bring changes in immigration laws. The problem is many area growers have not been able to find enough workers to harvest their crops this year. The SB County Farm Bureau is sending out surveys to local farmers to find out exactly how bad the situation is. They plan to use the information to lobby Congress for changes in immigration law.

NEWS FEATURE

July 6, 1998

6pm

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Independence day will have a different meeting for Marcy and Gio Degarimore. Marcy Farino got married. Marcy and Gio tied the knot on the 4th of July. It began with two tiny tots, followed by bridesmaids wearing lace. 150-guests were treated to a barbecue and dance. The couple will settle in Atascadero and will honeymoon in September.

NEWS FEATURE

July 6, 1998

11pm

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Zydeco Flames, a Louisiana-Style rock band, added flavor to the Zinfandel & Zydeco event in SLO. Festival is part of Central Coast Wine Classic, a week-long affair that introduces residents and tourists to some of the great wines in the area. Events offer more than wine tasting. They are also a great place to learn. The classic continues through Sunday evening. Call 781-3026 if you would like to take part.

NEWS FEATURE

July 6, 1998

11pm

2:35

Last May the City of SLO agreed there was a problem in a neighborhood. The city then stepped in burning down several dilapidated rentals at the corner of Nipomo and Brizzolara Streets. Now, weeks later, neighbors say the area is even more of an eyesore. The City has promised to start cleaning up tomorrow. If they don't, Jean Smith will start calling them up and call everyday until something happens.

NEWS FEATURE

July 7, 1998

11pm

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The only yacht club between Morro Bay and Santa Barbara gears up for a temporary move tonight. Before Unocal begins clean up at Avila Beach the Avila Yacht Club will be picked up and moved. This club house was built in 1941. The club itself was built with a lot of salvage material. It was hand built by club members. Army, Navy and

Coast Guard all used the club house during WWII. You can still see the old military bunks today.

NEWS FEATURE

July 7, 1998

11pm

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The central coast has never had a place to store its wine. El Camino Wine Storage is the first and only one of its kind on the central coast. It has more than 200-lockers for wine. Each fits 16-cases. The refrigerators stay a steady 55-degrees. It has back up generators should the power go out. The price is \$12.00 a month plus a padlock.

NEWS FEATURE

July 8, 1998

5pm

:34

The local ice cream man is a popular person this time of year. Especially this one. John Harrison is the official taste tester for Dreyer's ice cream. He's been tasting for 17 years. He's so precise about the pecans in the butter pecan, the company has insured his taste buds for one million dollars. He's also the genius behind 'Cookies and Cream'. He spends five hours a day, sampling sixty cartons of ice cream.

NEWS FEATURE

July 9, 1998

5,6,11pm

1:40

Some new faces in town are enjoying the beauty of the Dallidet Adobe and Gardens in San Luis Obispo. A group from France is on the Central Coast, visiting for the next three weeks. The Dallidet Adobe is just one of their many stops. It is the 11th Annual Heritage Day at the Dallidet Adobe. There will be an old time craft fair and music. It is free. Heritage Day runs from Noon til 4 pm this Sunday.

NEWS FEATURE

July 13, 1998

5pm

1:35

The intersection at Yerba Buena and Hwy. 1 has proved that it can be deadly. The community will finally get its wish for a traffic light at that intersection. Several people have lost their lives at that intersection: a 74-yr. old woman, a 13-yr. old boy, another boy driving in front of cars and numerous misses that are too many to count. The community has been fighting for this light for 18-years. The Mayor says that it is long over due. The light is scheduled to be turned on July 25, 1998. Morro Bay and CalTrans split the cost of the \$200K light.

NEWS FEATURE

July 14, 1998

5pm

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Circus Vargas comes to Santa Barbara. Circus Vargas will be performing tonight, tomorrow and Thursday at the Earl Warren Fairgrounds in Santa Barbara. There are two shows each night, 5:00 pm and 7:30 pm.

NEWS FEATURE

July 15, 1998

6pm

1:20

It is a big week for livestock and their owners at the County Fair. Both need to look their best for show. The kids are out their in the morning working with the animals. 4-H is the kids club that is designed to teach teamwork and responsibility through projects like raising livestock. Nikole Miller is a second year 4-H student. She has raised an animal for the last three months and says it is an invaluable experience. She has learned how to care for and show an animal. The 4-H program is a good program for kids.

NEWS FEATURE

July 16, 1998

5,6pm

1:10

Talent scouts for the hit show Baywatch hit UCSB today. Baywatch producers are travelling to 25 US Cities and picking a female and male winner at each stop. The guy and gal picked get to appear on a Baywatch episode and will compete for a permanent spot on the show.

NEWS FEATURE

July 16, 1998

5,6pm

2:05

The Tree of Life School of Self Defense in Atascadero, CA is offering summer classes designed for teenage girls. The class helps develop self-confidence, self-awareness as well as siple physical techniques. Teens get hands-on experience striking target areas of an attacker, like eyes, nose, throat and groin. The next class starts in August. Call the school at 461-3865 for more information.

NEWS FEATURE

July 16, 1998

5,6,11pm

3:20

Pete Eberle is leaving his office of three years. He was the man in charge of the Farmers' Market in San Luis Obispo; everything from entertainment to eats. He was the Thursday night activities director. He has taken a job with another downtown association as Executive Director in Santa Cruz. Pete says that our downtown will be just fine after he is gone. Pete's last day will be August 14, 1998 and he will start his new job three days later.

NEWS FEATURE

July 16, 1998

5,6,11pm

2:55

SLO County has five county funded pools. Four of those pools offer a free recreational swim time for kids. Kids in Cambria have to pay to cool off. They have to pay \$1.00 per day. This is the only pool left where children have to pay in the county. All other pools are funded by local clubs. Local programs are being created to help fund a free swim program that costs about \$3,500.00.

NEWS FEATURE

July 17, 1998

5,6,11pm

2:55

The 16th Century comes to life this weekend at the 14th Annual Renaissance Festival. More than 800 volunteers dress, talk and act in ways straight from the history pages. Visitors are also treated to music and dance from Elizabethean days. The festival isn't just fun-filled entertainment. Peasants say you won't leave without a little history lesson. The festival runs tomorrow and Sunday from 10 to 5 at El Chorr Regional Park in SLO.

NEWS FEATURE

July 17, 1998

11pm

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A homeless shelter is becoming a better place to stay, thanks to some donations. SLO's homeless shelter, which has bed space for 49-people, has undergone significant renovations. The shelter on Orcutt St. boasts a new roof, new floor, freshly painted walls, new cabinets and new windows. The public was invited to celebrate the new place. It is estimated that there are over 3,000 homeless people in SLO County alone.

NEWS FEATURE

July 18, 1998

6,11pm

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Many residents of Templeton had to do without air conditioners and fans during a planned power outage. PG&E turned off the power in Templeton at 8:00 a.m. so crews could replace some power lines. The outage left about 100-people braving the heat for

nearly half the day. PG&E says the new, larger lines are now installed and power was restored about 1:30 pm on the same day.

NEWS FEATURE

July 18, 1998

6,11pm

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The Renaissance festival kicked off today in San Luis Obispo. Knights, minstrels and even the Queen came out to greet her public. Family fun was the theme of the day, with food, games and costumes, all with a medieval flair. The fair continues tomorrow at El Chorro Park.

NEWS FEATURE

July 20, 1998

6, 11pm

2:35

There's a new drive thru market in San Luis Obispo to service those that are not in the mood to walk into a store. There's all kinds of reasons to visit a drive thru . . .you don't have to unload the kids, care about your appearance . . you may want to visit the San Luis Mini-Mart on Broad St. in San Luis Obispo. No matter what's on your shopping list you probably can pick it up here, like the paper, milk, eggs, toilet paper etc. The store has been open about a week and business is picking up speed.

NEWS FEATURE

July 21, 1998

11pm

1:00

An Atascadero man is turning baseball cards into a cure for sick kids. It is an idea that is contagious. Peter Boonisar has collected more than 4,000,000 sporting cards. He calls his project Cure 2000. Donations made his dream grow. He rented some space in Atascadero where he raps the cards and gives them to the sick children in hospitals across the world. He could use help. He wrapped more than a milion card packs last year. He is recovering from Leukemia himself. Peter will be holding a grand opening for his new location on Thursday, 5 to 8 pm at 5865 Traffic Way in Atascadero.

NEWS FEATURE

July 23, 1998

5pm

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There is a Grand Opening tonight for a man who was mentioned earlier this week in the news. Peter Boonisar raises money for cancer research and is helping out a lot.

NEWS FEATURE

July 23, 1998

5,11pm

1:10

Plants and flowers are creating an experience in Santa Barbara Park. It is a unique display created for the blind. The Braille Institute helped design the Sensory Gardenl which allows the Blind to enjoy plants and flowers through the use of water sounds, strong visual contrasts and bold fragrances. The sensory garden is in the NW area of Alice Keck Park Memorial Gardens in SB. The garden is open to the public from sunrise to 10pm all week long.

NEWS FEATURE

July 24, 1998

5, 6 & 11pm

3,44

The 28th Annual Mozart Festival, an event that's become "A Claim to Fame" for San Luis Obispo. Tonight they had a kickoff at the Performing Arts Center on the Cal Poly campus. This will showcase some of the upcoming events. The Mozart Festival really is for everybody, no matter what your age or music tastes. A free Friday concert kicked off this two week long musical extravaganza. Some in the audience traveled all the way from Phoenix, Arizona to watch and listen. Some concerts are already sold out and other tickets are going fast.

NEWS FEATURE

July 26, 1998

6,11pm

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Hundreds of people gathered in Baywood Park this afternoon for a free performance. It was all part of the annual Mozart Festival. A San Francisco Saxophone quartet played selections by the famous composer. Most people brought their lawn chairs, but others got a bit more creative and boated or kayaked to the concert.

NEWS FEATURE

July 28, 1998

5,6pm

1:00

The Mid-State Fair starts on Thursday. It is not put up overnight. A lot of planning goes into the fair. Booths have to be set up. The stage has to be lit. The rides need to be tested. Speaking of rides, you can still purchase a carnival wristband that gives you unlimited rides. You can buy it at reduced price of \$12.00. The last day is tomorrow.

NEWS FEATURE

July 28, 1998

5,6pm

1:00

An ambitious project of making sure that every family has access to an internet computer in their homes is underway in Santa Barbara County. This is the goal of Computers for Families. Students working in a Summer Employment Program are fixing computers to be used in the project. Businesses have donated the hardware and the Santa Barbara Industry Education Council hopes to raise a half-million dollars to keep the program going.

NEWS FEATURE

July 28, 1998

5,6pm

2:40

Pat Jackson lost her battle with breast cancer more than a year ago. Students, however, continue to succeed and keep her dream alive by dancing with the passion that Pat once had. Two competition teams recently danced-off with the National Championships. Several students have been signed on with LA Top-talent agency. Those there say that Pat may be gone, but never forgotten. The team is friendly, even with competitors. This stems from Pat's love and feel for sharing dance.

NEWS FEATURE

July 28, 1998

5,6pm

2:20

Mark Grosz, P.E. Teacher at El Camino JHS, planned a fundraising jog-a-thon in May and dozens of kids ran laps for pledges to buy new weight room equipment. The old stuff was outdated and falling apart. With the new equipment many of these students plan on pumping iron more often. Mark says the weight room gives the kids something to do after school. He hopes it will keep them out of trouble. The students raised \$4,000, but there is more than \$85,000.00 in equipment. The community support made it possible. The owner of Kennedy Fitness Club sold equipment to them at a low price because it was a good cause.

NEWS FEATURE

July 28, 1998

5,6pm

1:15

It is National Hamburger Day and KSBY cannot decide who makes the best burger on the Central Coast. To help please send your vote to the station. The winner will win burgers for two at their favorite spot, so drop it in the mail. The winner will be drawn next Tuesday.

NEWS FEATURE

July 28, 1998

6,11pm

1:25

There is a place along Orcutt Rd. outside of San Luis Obispo that is a place for old cowboy boots once their days of stompin' are done. They sit upside down topping fence posts. The fence belongs to Willie Fishbeck. He says it started in the 60's. He said he does it because the boots make a bigger platform for birds at rest and they also keep the fence post from rotting. The Footwear Fence has been featured in the LA Times and the Fresno Bee. Souvenir photos are permitted. He takes donations as well, claiming boots have been dropped off from as far away as Oregon and the San Joaquin Valley.

NEWS FEATURE

July 28, 1998

5,6,11pm

5:05

Work crews are scheduled to arrived and dig up a potential environmental hazard at the SLO Post Office this week. Mail carriers have filled up on the site for 15-yrs. But tonight, the pumps are turned off so crews can remove two underground gas tanks. The Post Office is closing the station to avoid possible ground contamination and costly tank upgrades. It is environmentally and cost effective for the post office. The carriers use more than 200-gallons of gas every day. The carriers will now fuel up at local area gas stations. Excavation is expected to take up to four weeks.

NEWS FEATURE

July 29, 1998

5,11pm

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The New Love House, a well-known landmark in Santa Barbara County seen along Hwy. 101, is in a new location. The turn-of-the-century Victorian was moved this past Spring to Los Olivos in six sections. It now sits on the grounds of Firestone Vineyards. Plans are to rename it CrossRoads. It will be refurbished as a place for visiting dignitaries to stay.

NEWS FEATURE

July 29, 1998

5,6,11pm

3:20

Security for the Mid-State Fair is being increased this year. There are still plenty of things to do before the fair opens, for security as well. Ticket sales are up which means that more people will be on the fairgrounds, but not necessarily more problems. Everything has been beefed up: the staff is much larger, security is bigger by 20% more than last year. One reason is different grandstand acts attract different people. The intent is to try and get the locals to come back and feel safe.

NEWS FEATURE

July 29, 1998

5,6,11pm

3:05

Bill Ballesteros, a San Luis Obispo Man, won a free cruise on the Ecstasy, a cruise ship that caught on fire shortly out of port in Miami, FL. The fire started on the rear of the ship. Bill took pictures of the incident. Terror and panic followed the fire. He and his wife ran to the front, they were unsure of what would happen to the ship. Bill may get a free cruise from this but he has to wait to get the estimated \$1,000.000 worth of damaged luggage and clothes.

NEWS FEATURE

July 30, 1998

5, 6 & 11

4:33

It's that time of year ago the California Mid-State Fair has arrived in San Luis Obispo County! For starters there was a good old-fashion cattle drive. Early this morining cowboys and cowgirls saddled up to herd some cattle through Paso Robles to the fair

grounds. The cattle drive kicks off eleven days of fun, the fair has something for everyone, young and old. It's the summer event almost everybody turns out for on the Central Coast. The fair runs through August 9, 1998.

NEWS FEATURE July 30, 1998 5,6,11pm 3:40

Paragon Vineyards in San Luis Obispo has been making wine for over 30-yrs. It is now trying something new. It has opened its vineyards to Australian winemakers and their technology. It is called Seven Peaks. It is the merging of two winemaking theories for a sole product. Aussies blend different grapes to make a more flavorful wine. A popular varietal in Australia is Shiraz. This venture will offer a new taste of wine to the central coast.

NEWS FEATURE July 30, 1998 5,6,11pm 2:40

A compromise may be in the works for a part of San Luis Obispo County. In January, the California Coastal Commission rejected the plan for the North Coast. Much of that had to do with the Hearst Ranch Resort Project. Since January, a County Subcommittee has been working on a compromise. The County and the Commission agree to limit the number of rooms at the resort. They do not agree on a golf course. A public hearing was held to hear about the compromise. Recommendations will be made to the board on Tuesday. County has until 10,15 to respond.

NEWS FEATURE July 31, 1998 5, 6 & 11pm 12:44

The California Mid-State Fair is one of the most popular events in San Luis Obispo County of the year. The fair begins in late July and goes through the first week of August. There are many fun things to do at the fair for young and old! Of course for the young ones there are a multitude of rides, zoo animals and all new this year, a Discovering Science Museum. At the Science Museum they can get a lesson in physics or marine biology and it's all hands on. In addition, there is a livestock auction and there are different chapters of the 4-H and FFA's represented. Since wine is a large commodity along the Central Coast, this year it will be highly represented at the fari. Some of the counties finest wines will be available for tasting. Mort Friedman was interviewed, he grows grapes in the area. He recently entered five bottles of different varieties of wine this year. He says that wine growing is an art, not exactly a science, so there's no one correct way to grow grapes or make wines, you have to learn what's best for your vineyard and the style of winemaking you like. Each year more thant two dozen volunteers sip, sample and score each wine. In all judges tasted 176 different entries this year. They handed out 16 gold medals, 25 silver, 60 bronze and 34 honorable mentions. Also this year the fair is again "On-line" for the second year in a row. THe site gives a listing of fair events and informaiton. Selling tickets has proved to be a big success for the fair. Last year 2300 tickets were sold online and this year 6000 grandstand tickets were sold.

FCC REPORTS EDUCATION JULY 1998

NEWS FEATURE

July 5, 1998

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Today teacher's with the National Education Association rejected a partnership with the American Federation of Teachers. The merger would have resulted in the nation's largest teacher's union. The president of the NEA said it will take a lot more discussion to make the marriage work. Should the two unions unite they would bring together more than three million members.

NEWS FEATURE

July 7, 1998

11pm

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The battle continues to brew over a high school. Arroyo Grande High School is bursting at its seams. The overcrowded campus is the only high school in the Lucia Mar School District. After passing a bond issue, the district picked a site for the new high school. At today's County Board of Supervisors meeting neighboring farms told supervisors to put the school somewhere else. Farmers say they do not want to loose farmland. Other residents say schools should come first and this is the best site. So who will decide? The Board decided to write a letter to the State to see who has the power to make the decision.

NEWS FEATURE

July 7, 1998

6.11pm

2:43

In this day and age with costs usually rising, in this case one cost is actually going down. Starting this fall semester students will pay one dollar less per unit or credit. What could possibly be the reason? Well, whenever the economy does well, lawmakers pass the savings on to students. One student relayed that she barely gets along as it is, and now that the prices are coming down, she can take more classes and get along better because it's less expensive. The average Cuesta College student takes ten units. Therefore the savings come to an average of ten dollars per semester, per student. The next question is, will it continue to drop? Possibly, right now there is a bill before the state assembly that could drop the price even more—to ten dollars per unit. In addition, fall registration for Cuesta College starts in a few weeks. You can register at both campuses at these locations—Paso Robles High school on July 20 and 21st and at the San Luis Obispo campus on July 22-24. And at the San Luis campus and the new north campus on August 4-6th.

NEWS FEATURE

July 10, 1998

5,6pm

3:00

There is a new college being built on the Central Coast. For the past few months several crews have worked extra hours and extra days to finish the campus. The Stempers are one family who has helped out a lot. The college is the first in California to be built with private funds exclusively; some money here, a donation there. All types of donations were received. Several people and groups donated their time and resources. The majority of the \$2,000,000.00 needed has been raised. Everyone has learned about generosity. The college still needs about \$500,000.00. If you can help call Cuesta College at 546-3915.

July 16, 1998

5,6pm

2:40

For the past three weeks a group of San Luis Obispo County teens have been spending their summer learning job training skills they can take into the real world. It is a unique program that serves special education students. Students start their day in the classroom learning how to write resumes and other job related skills then it is off to Campus Dining where they go and put their training to work. This has provided them with many experiences. The program is called, "Summer Jobs for Youth" and the Private Industry Council pays the students' wages.

NEWS FEATURE

July 17, 1998

5, 6 & 11pm 4:53

On the Central Coast we are honored to have the opportunity to learn about space without leaving our own backyards. This week at the Santa Barbara County Fair in Santa Maria they have a new attraction called the Space Center. The name of the group is called "California Space" and there are so many fascinating things to do, you can take a mood buggy out for a spin or get behind the wheel of a virtual reality flight simulator. These activities are not only fun but they teach kids about the space industry. According to the representative, Peggy Wilson, she says they need kids to be fired up so that they will understand the educational needs and the academic needs that they need to pursue. Some of the activities give people a hands-on feel for real-life jobs. The Space Center will be open through Sunday and most of the activities are free with fair admission.

FCC REPORTS HEALTH CONCERNS JULY 1998

NEWS FEATURE

July 2, 1998

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The herb Kava is the hottest thing in homeopathy right now. Many people find it has relaxing effects without affecting clarity or focus. It's meant to calm the nerves. Kava's been around for more than 3 thousand years. What makes it so popular now is the fact that people in the mainstream medical community are recommeding the root in place of prescription medications like valuem and muscle relaxants.

NEWS FEATURE

July 4, 1998

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New attention is being focused on the safety of what we eat. This holiday weekend some 300 people have fallen ill, after eating oysters from Texas. Today President Clinton called for tighter food safety rules in general, and asked Congress to give the government's safety inspectors greater authority to enforce safety standards.

NEWS FEATURE

July 5, 1998

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2:07

New reports say that if your body age is younger and your lifestyle is healthy it will add years on to your life. You can actually slow down the aging process right now. It is not unreasonable to assume that you can have an extra ten, twenty or possibly 25 more years of youthful, productive, active life span. Keeping your skin protected from th sun is one way to not look your age. With so many products on the market, it is sometimes difficult to know which one to use. Doctors say the most obvious element is the SPF or the sun protection factor. They advise you use a sunscreen with at least an SPF of 15, with higher numbers for people with fairer skin.

NEWS FEATURE

July 8, 1998

5pm

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An old remedy for relieving pain gets a new look. Tylenol packages will have labels warning the drung can cause liver damage in some people if mixed with alcohol. USA Today reports hundreds of the 80 million people who take the pill have reportedly suffered serious liver damage and one in five has died. The FDA may soon require warning labels on all over the counter pain relievers.

NEWS FEATURE

July 8, 1998

5pm

:36

New information is just in for people desiring to quit smoking. Scientists at the University of Toronto say they've identified a gene that explains your addiction. In most people when nicotine gets into the bloodstream it's broken down by an enzyme into another form that the brain can then process. Some people produce a defective form of this enzyme that can't break down nicotine and therefore are less likely to become addicted to tobacco. This discovery could lead to the development of drugs to help people avoid a strong addiction to tobacco.

NEWS FEATURE

July 9, 1998

5,6 & 11pm

2:49

Summertime is here and that means barbeques and picnics. Many people want to enjoy what they eat and stay healthy. Dieticians have some suggestions for healthy eating.

Instead of the usual burgers and franks, how about a soy hotdog or garden burger on a whole wheat bun. They say the taste is similar to the real thing. Fresh vegetables dipped in salsa is a crunchy appetizer or baked sweet potato chips. Also, fresh peaches, cherries and mangoes are popular for a summer fruit salad. In general, if people keep in mind variety and moderation, they'll be doing themselves a lot of good for keeping healthy and don't forget the exercise! Before you exercise though, you may want to have some dessert. Fruit sorbet's and italian ices are refreshing alternatives to ice cream.

NEWS FEATURE

July 11, 1998

11pm

:28

When you think of people who are hard of hearing, you probably think of older men and women. But a recent study has shown that the number of cases of noise-induced hearing loss have doubled in the last thirty years. And, amazingly enough, many new cases are in younger and younger people. Everything from loud music, to the everyday noises of life are being blamed. Doctors not only advise people to wear ear plugs more often, but they say once the nerves are damaged, there is no available treatment.

NEWS FEATURE

July 13, 1998

5pm

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It is the next step to try and breathe life into General Hospital. It is the only public hospital in San Luis Obispo. The Board of Supervisors of the County are meeting today and tomorrow to draft language for the November ballot measure. The two ballot proposals discussed today centered around funding for the hospital. Voters may be asked to vote on an increased sales tax or a property tax to finance keeping General Hospital open.

NEWS FEATURE

July 14, 1998

5pm

1:00

The fate of General Hospital is being shaped at this very moment. The Board of Supervisors is in its second day of hammering out the language for a ballot measure that will decide the fate of the hospital. It is an emotional issue. The Board is considering several options: a 1/4 cent sales tax, \$60.00 parcel tax plus future meeting. A version of the language, in 75-words or less, must be approved by 5pm. A full report should be available at 6:00 pm. The taxes that are being considered would make almost \$6,000,000.00 to pay for operations at the hospital. A 20-yr. fund to build a new hospital would be established.

NEWS FEATURE

July 27, 1998

6pm

1:36

The question of the day was what do doctors do to stay healthy? The Health Care providers at French Hospital Medical Center let us in on their secrets. Some tips were, try and eat right, nutritious diet and walking three times a week for twenty minutes. Doctors theorize that some exercise is better than no exercise, it's been shown scientifically not only to make people healthier but happier. Also, drink lots and lots of water at least 8-10 cups per day. And always wear yor seatbelt. They've seen many accidents of people who forgot to wear them. One last thing, don't smoke, smoking has ended many people's lives prematurely.

NEWS FEATURE

July 31, 1998

5, 6 & 11pm

3:33

Workers discover toxic levels of lead based paint at a local school. Construction workers at Bishop's Peak Elementary School blasted the old paint off the exterior walls and tested the chips for lead. The chips tested at a dangerous level. Lead found in old paint can be dangerous if children ingest it. It is crucial at an elementary school that it's 100 percent cleaned up before the children come back in the fall. Clean up crews are now vacuuming up the paint chips and they plan to finish the cleanup job by Sunday. Officials say the lead should not be a concern once the walls are re-painted. Parents in the area express their concerns on the matter. All the renovations on the school are set to be completed by August 31st.

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NEWS FEATURE

July 3, 1998

6pm

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The California Highway Patrol has just imposed a 54 hour maximum enforcement period. This enforcement period started just a short time ago and will go through this Sunday, July 12 and some delays are to be expected.

NEWS FEATURE

July 8, 1998

5,6pm

1:25

President Clinton renews efforts to protect kids from guns. Clinton urged congress to pass a bill that holds adults criminally responsible if they give children access to loaded firearms. He also says all gun shops must now post signs warning that it's illegal to sell, deliver or transfer handguns to children. The proposal comes after the recent string of school shootings by children.

NEWS FEATURE

July 14, 1998

5pm

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SB Police are cracking down on bars and nightclubs and underage drinking. Problem areas like State St. are the target. Today the city was awarded a \$90K grant to stop teens from illegally getting alcohol. Ofcr. Lazarus will focus specifically on bars and nightclubs in the SB Old Town District. The grant money will pay his salary for one year to serve strictly as an alcohol enforcement officer.

NEWS FEATURE

July 14, 1998

5pm

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Fire-fighters in SB County get a new contract. The County Board of Supervisors said yes this afternoon to a contract. The three year deal will boost pay by at least 7% over three years. The new contract allows for extra pay if fire-fighters reduce sick leave. the 162 Union Fire-fighters were working without a contract after the old one expired in March. The average salary for a SB County Fire-fighter is more than \$49,000.00 per year.

NEWS FEATURE

July 16, 1998

5,6,11pm

5:00

Many Central Coast cities will be choosing new Mayors this fall. The deadline to file for candidacy is coming up in a few weeks. No one has applied for the job in Santa Maria, Lompoc nor Guadalupe. Santa Maria started accepting applications last night. Being Mayor, however, is more than meets the eye. If you live in Santa Maria, are registered and gather 20 signatures, the office of Mayor could be yours. Once you decide to run you need to go through a binder filled with hundreds of pages of information, regulations and forms. It does not cost any money and you do not need any political backing. It is a tremendous commitment. You work 7-days a week. The spot pays \$750.00 per month. Many candidates won't run because of the toll it takes on families and businesses. Some candidates could be waiting to see who else files. Santa Maria also has two city council seats up for election. Two current members and two new candidates have filed for those seats. Deadline to run for City Council or Mayor is August 7, 1998. Deadline will be extended to the 12th if the incumbent does not run.

July 17, 1998

5,6,11pm

2:45

After 12-yrs. on the force as SLO's Sheriff, Ed Williams is leaving the department, five months before his term is over. Williams will start a new job this August with the State Board of Prison Terms. He will travel to California's 19-prisons where he will decide whether eligible inmates should be let out on parole. After almost 40-yrs. in the business, Williams says he is eager for a new opportunity.

NEWS FEATURE

July 21, 1998

5,6,11pm :

3:20

300-arson investigators are in SLO for a 3-day conference. They know their stuff. They have gathered from around the state and are trying to answer the burning question, how did this car fire start. According to the President, "Fires all leave evidence and it takes training such as this to teach members how and what to look for." About 60-cars have been gathered for the conference. Each will be burned in a different way to tell a different story. The idea is to give young investigators some experience.

NEWS FEATURE

July 21, 1998

5,6,11pm

1:50

SLO City Council is addressing an issue tonight that could affect the Higuera Street Bridge project. The Councill will decide whether or not to give a green light to fix the Higuera St. Bridge. The bridge was deemed seismically unsafe 5-yrs. ago. The Council will either approve a solution for the bridge or not. With approval, the construction will begin next summer and will take approximately 3-mos. Public works warns Los Osos and Higuera St. will be closed, on occassion, off at night once they start the project.

NEWS FEATURE

July 22, 1998

5,6pm

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Santa Barbara's temporary curfew is about ot become permanent. County Supervisors voted to extend the daytime curfew program yesterday. The curfew placed the responsibility of going to school on children and their parents. Sheriff's Dept. says the curfew is working. School attendance has increased and property crimes near schools are down.

NEWS FEATURE

July 22, 1998

11pm

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The future of medical care since nurses at Arroyo Grande Hospital joined with CNA by a whopping 94% is the main question today. The nurses hope that CNA will help them improve staffing, specifically nurse-to-patient ratio. The headman of the hospital say the Union will not hinder working relations.

NEWS FEATURE

July 23, 1998

5,11pm

1:30

The current Mayor of Santa Maria is stepping down to run for State Assembly and two veteran City leaders want to take his place. Both candidates are retired and have a long history of community leadership. The two people are Toru Miyoshi, currently a City Councilman who has served ten years and has also been a County Supervisor; and Don Lahr, who campaigned for Miyoshi in the 1970's when he ran for City Council.

NEWS FEATURE

July 28, 1998

6pm

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Dan Lungren, Atty-Gnrl and candidate for Governor, flew into SLO today as part of his campaign for Governor. Lungren has mmade it his mission to visit every county in the

State. He say that crime has dropped to its lowest level in 30-yrs. since he has been Atty-Gnrl. He also says education is another one of his issues. He wants standardized testing and local control of schools. He will appear at a fundraiser tonight. He heads to Santa Barbara tomorrow.

NEWS FEATURE

July 28, 1998

5,6pm

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The Dept. of Housing and Urban Development is giving SLO County an award. That award is the Blue Ribbon Award for an affordable housing complex in Cambria. it is located on School House Ln. It was built by the People's Self-Help Housing Corp. It is the first low-cost housing complex built in Cambria.

NEWS FEATURE

July 28, 1998

5.6pm

1:00

SB County and the City of Santa Barbara face a dilemna with a landfill near a beach. More than half of the City's trash gets dumped at Tajiguas Landfill. Now there is talk about enlarging the County dump. This has nearby residents concerned, especially about beach contamination. City Council members will discuss other options to expanding the dump. Board of Supervisors will also take up the issue.

NEWS FEATURE

July 28, 1998

6,11pm

2:20

Today, the Morro Bay City Council voted to allow outside dining tables in its city. Local businesses have been fighting for food tables, now they will have their wish. It is a move to increase business, but it has a cost: The sidewalk signs must go! Morro Bay Mayor calls the crowded outdoor tables even better than billboards. Local business owners are thrilled. There is no word on when the signs have to come down, but starting today food and beverage businesses can have two outdoor tables each.

NEWS FEATURE

July 29, 1998

6pm

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The Juvenile Justice Commission will be ready and waiting to meet with the public tonight in Arroyo Grande; to hear any comments or answer any questions. Topics usually range from nighttime activities for kids to the court system. The meeting is taking place tonight at the AG Women's Club, 211 Vernon, 6 to 8 pm.

NEWS FEATURE

July 29, 1998

6,11pm

2:30

Avila Beach has a lot of uneasy citizens in anticipation of the massive excavation project about to begin. UnoCal plans to dig up 400,000-gallons of contamination beneath the beach community. Clean up is to begin in September. An 11th hour appeal by Coastal Commission could change everything. Residents are split, outraged and supportive, over the last minute move. UnoCal says this move has already set the project back. The appeal comes up in a hearing on 8/12 at Huntington Beach; Avila residents will take a bus to the meeting.

NEWS FEATURE

July 29, 1998

5.6.11pm

2:50

There will be some high speed excitement at Vandenberg AFB this weekend. The Thunderbirds are coming. They are a select group of F-16 fighter pilots. They are known for their swift manuevers at high speed and low altitudes. It is the most sophisticated air show in space technology. There will also be ground displays so we

can see the planes up close. The show is free. It is on Sunday and Saturday at Vandenberg AFB. Gates open at 8 am. Show starts at 9 and it is an all-day event.

NEWS FEATURE

July 29, 1998

5,6,11pm

2:35

Hwy. 166, a dangerous central coast highway, is about to get a face-lift and more protection. The State has decided to add extra highway patrol officers to a road that has seen 20-deaths in the past 3.5 years. Other improvements include day-time headlight requirements, and rumble strips to warn drivers if they veer into the oncoming lane. Sen. O'Connel says the plan is similar to what was done on Highway 46. New officers are expected by the end of the year. Daytime Headlight Program may be in place as soon as next month.

NEWS FEATURE

July 29, 1998

5,6,11pm

1:30

A bill to tighten security on college campuses sits on Governor Wilson's desk tonight. The Kristin Smart Campus Safety Act easily passed through the State Houses. The Bill would require local and campus law enforcement to set up guidelines to work together on major crimes. The bill was developed after Cal Poly student Kristin Smart disappeared from Cal Poly more than 2-yrs. ago. Her disappearance remains unsolved.

NEWS FEATURE

July 30, 1998

6,11pm

4:30

Residents of Los Osos came face to face tonight with local leaders on the issue of paying User Fees at Montana de Oro State Park. The forum lasted for more than two and a half hours. It brought out a crowd of more than 300-people. Most people wanted answers about what the State is planning to use the fees for. Many also came to let it be known that they were going to fight this. Park officials say that it is a necessity to ensure the long term future of the park. It will help control the flow of people aned resources. The fees will only give in if the County gives up control of the road.

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FCC REPORTS NATURAL DISASTERS/SAFTEY JULY 1998

NEWS FEATURE

July 1, 1998

5,6,11pm

3:00

Mickey Testa, 11-yrs. old, was killed when a car he was in was hit yesterday. CHP says a pick-up ran a red light and slammed into the side of the car where Testa was sitting. This happened at the entrance to Cuesta College. CHP says there have been a few problems in that area. About 5-yrs. ago a traffic light was put in to help avoid accidents. Testa's mother was also hurt in collision. Carol Dawn of SLO is at Sierra Vista Hospital in stable condition. Charges may be filed against the driver of the truck.

NEWS FEATURE

July 1, 1998

5,611pm

1:05

After another collision on Hwy. 1near Cambria; James Reed is still in critical condition. Two other people died in the collision. Victims are Guadalupe Jimenez, 42-yrs. old, and his mother Maria Gutierrez, 72-yrs. old. The CHP says the two were riding in the pick-up truck. The truck swerved onto the shoulder, turned and slammed into a Taurus coming the other way. CHP is still investigating what caused the truck to swerve.

NEWS FEATURE

July 6, 1998

5,6,11pm

3:20

A hit and run accident on Hwy. 41 early this morning takes one life and sends another to the hospital and one to jail. CHP says a Toyota Tercel was going east on Hwy. 41 when a Fore-runner going west crossed over into her lane. The Tercel swerved to get out of the way. Her car spun out of control and a mini-van smashed into it. Angela Albano, 21-yrs. old, was driving the Tercel. She died from her injuries. Driver of the mini-van has minor injuries to his hands. The driver of the Fore-runner that caused the accident did not stop. Police caught him down the road and took him into custody. Devon Martin, 31-yrs. old, was charged with vehicular manslaughter.

NEWS FEATURE

July 6, 1998

5,6,11pm

4:55

Two horses became stranded in a creek bed and it has sparked quite a rescue effort. The horses fell down a 150-foot ravine. The horses fell last Friday and rescue workers flew to the remote area to assess the situation and get the animals out. Efforts proved unsuccessful and the horses are still stranded. Efforts were called off last night because it got too dark. The next step is to try and air lift the horses out this Saturday. The animals have food and water but one horse is hurt. The sooner the horses get out, the better. Owners plan to camp out with the horses until the helicopter rescue arrives. The air lift will cost \$5,000.00. The Humane Society offered to help out with their emergency fund, but the owner will ultimately be responsible. If you would like to help call 805-964-4777 and donate to Equine Evacuation Program.

NEWS FEATURE

July 6, 1998

5,6,11pm

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A third life has been lost from last week's collision on Hwy. 1 near Cambria. James Reed of Los Osos died from his injuries. Two others died when their pick-up crossed into Reed's lane, hitting his Taurus.

July 7, 1998

11pm

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Another serious accident occured this morning. This one was on Hwy. 41. It was thought, for a moment, that there might be an explosion. It all began this morning when a pickup truck and trailer swerved to avoid hitting an animal. Good for the animal, not so good for the two men in the truck. They jumped out, but the truck and trailer rolled off a steep ravine and into a creek. A propane tank was ripped open. A Haz-mat crew was called. The road was closed for about an hour.

NEWS FEATURE

July 7, 1998

11pm

2:40

There has been another fatal crash on the central coast. It took place this afternoon on Hwy. 166 about 30-miles east of Hwy. 101. Noreem Lum, 29-yrs. old, fled the scene of the collision but later returned to see the damage she had caused. She was passing over a double yellow line on a hill when she met another vehicle head-on. She swerved onto the shoulder to avoid collision which she was able to do but caused another vehicle to lose control and strike cars. One car was torn in half. An 11-yr. old girl was killed and three other family members were injured with her. Two occupants of a second vehicle also sustained serious injuries. Hubert Clark was a witness to the wreck. Noreem Lum now faces charges of vehicular manslaughter, a message she won't soon forget.

NEWS FEATURE

July 15, 1998

6,11pm

2:00

90-people in Templeton will be braving the heat on Saturday without their Air Conditioners. PG&E has scheduled a planned power outage while they repair a damaged line on Tablas Rd. It has to be donenow to avoid greater potential cost. They need to ensure that the energy is transferred safely. Community members say that it is an inconvenience. Most will head to the beach or a friend's house. The outage is planned for Saturday so that medical offices will not be affected. About 90-people along Las Tablas and Bethel Rd. will be without power on Saturday.

NEWS FEATURE

July 16,1998

5,6,11pm

1:40

More questions than answers surround the death of Central Coast screenwriter Gary Devore. CHP investigators have taken measurements of the damage to the interior and exterior of Devore's Ford Explorer and will now recreate the aqueduct crash. They have also taken pictures of the highway and aqueduct from the air. Investigators say a preliminary report will not be issued for 60-days. A private funeral will be held for Devore in Los Angeles.

NEWS FEATURE

July 18, 1998

11pm

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High temperatures bring the threat of brush fires. Last night, a 40-acre blaze broke out near Los Alamos. It took almost three hours for firefighters to bring the fire under control. No homes were damaged. No injuries were reported. The cause of the brush fire is still under investigation.

NEWS FEATURE

July 20, 1998

5,6,11pm

1:20

Five San Luis Obispo homes are evacuated after a natural gas leak this morning. One block of Ella St. was blocked off for about an hour after a gas line was punctured. Officials say a construction worker putting in a sewer line accidentally cut the gas main.

San Luis Obispo City Fire and Southern California Gas put a clamp on it and crews are in the process of fixing it. Evacuees have been allowed back in their homes.

NEWS FEATURE

July 20, 1998

5,6pm

1:10

Turmoils continue in Avila Beach, a community where a massive Unocal cleanup is set to begin this fall. City leaders are outraged over last minute moves by the Coastal Commision. A move that could put the town clean-up in jeopardy. A last minute appeal by the commission is a real blow to residents. The appeal put the multi-million dollar project up in the air. The commission shares jurisdiction over the cleanup of the beach. They want to make sure the public's recreational needs have been addressed. They will decide at the next meeting which is August 12, 1998.

NEWS FEATURE

July 20, 1998

5pm

2:00

People in low-lying areas of Los Osos are facing a dilemna. A new measure, however, could help take those problems away. There is currently no money to maintain the drainage equipment of the city. Measure E-98 would levy a \$16.00 a year tax on property owners within the Los Osos area, providing funds to maintain existing storm drains and emergency money during the wet season. Property owners have mixed feelings about the tax. This issue does not relate to sewage issues the city faces as well. It is a special tax that must pass by 2/3 of the vote. A similar measure has been tried in the past but failed.

NEWS FEATURE

July 21, 1998

11pm

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An environmental preserve may be in the works for SLO. Tonight, City Council members looked at applying for a \$100,000 grant from the N. American Wetlands Conservation Act Program. This money would help buy 80-acres of wetlands at the Morganti Ranch in SLO, making it an environmental preserve.

NEWS FEATURE

July 24, 1998

5 & 6pm

:38

Unocal has opened a claims office in Avila Beach. Anyone who feels they have claims arising from project Avila can bring their concerns to the office. It's located at the Avila Beach Community Center, 191 San Miguel Street in Avila Beach. Office hours are weekdays from 8am until 5pm.

NEWS FEATURE

July 28, 1998

5pm

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An overturned tractor-trailer stopped traffic on Hwy. 101 this morning. The truck, which was carrying cardboard boxes, flipped over into the center divider at about 4:00 am. The driver says a car swerved into his lane, forcing him to swerve himself. His load shifted and tumbled over. The driver is not injured. The traffic was only delayed while tow trucks lifted the truck back up.

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NEWS FEATURE August 1, 1998 6pm

It has been nearly two months since a Seaside girl disappeared from her home. Now, there has been a possible sighting of Christina Williams, 13-yrs. old, in North Carolina. A woman says she thinks she saw Williams at a store in the central part of the State. She recognized the girl from the program, "America's Most Wanted." Meanwhile, neighbors and friends continue their search in the Monterey Bay area this weekend. The girl vanished on June 12, 1998 while walking her dog at Fort Ord. The family believes she has been abducted.

NEWS FEATURE August 4, 1998 5m 6m 11pn 6L00

A murder trial with five suspects gets underway today in San Luis Obispo. The five defendants are accused of stabbing Raul Masqueda to death in Paso Robles. Security is tight at the San Luis Obispo Veterans Hall as the trial of the accused starts. Sergio Ortiz, Oscar Garcia, Greg Vived, Monte Weatherington and David Rey all face charges of murder and conspiracy with gang enhancements. The prosecutor used his opening statement to say the men planned the attack on behalf of the Paso 13 Gang. Deputy DA Dodie Harman says on 4/12 the suspects carried out that plan and stabbed Masqueda to death on Vine St. in Paso Robles. The trial is more complicated due to the gang enhancement charges. When there are these sorts of allegations you have problems with intimidated witnesses and getting them to testify honestly. Prosecurtors are making opening statements and began presenting evidence to the jury this afternoon. If convicted of first degree murder, the defendants could face up to 25 years to life behind vbbars.

NEWS FEATURE August 4, 1998 5,6pm 2:10

Atascadero is 1 of 9,000 communities taking part in the 15th Annual America's Night Out Against Crime. The idea is to get residents to lock their doors, turn on their lights and meet their neighbors. All sorts of block parties and activities are planned. The program is designed to help neigborhoods band together to stop crime before it happens. Networks and communication channels are opened and maintained. Neighbors can feel comfortable enough with each other to ask for help, if needed. "Spot the Burglar!" is one of the contest planned for thenight. Neighbors who report crimes win prizes. Lompoc is another Central Coast town taking part.

NEWS FEATURE August 6, 1998 11pm 2:25

A dangerous and familiar scam is popping up all over the central coast and law enforcement says we should look out. Steve Tross received a letter in the mail offering him millions of dollars, no strings attached. The letter, which came from Nigeria, wanted to deposit \$42.5 Million into his account and he would invest it into blue chip stocks in the USA. He was promised 25% of the amount, about \$10 Million. Obviously, it was all a scam, a very old scam. It is nicknamed the 419 scam.

August 7, 1998

11pm

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A Los Osos woman is in jail tonight for defrauding the County out of almost \$18,000.00 in welfare. Maria Sanchez, 38-yrs. old, admitted she used a fake social security number to get a job. She then failed to report her new position to the San Luis Obispo Dept. of Social Services for four years. She continued to receive thousands of dollars in aid and food stamps even though she was no longer eligible. Welfare fraud is considered a felony. Social service workers say if you suspect fraud contact them at 781-1893.

NEWS FEATURE

August 7, 1998

5,6pm

1:30

A Lompoc woman is shaken but unhurt after escaping a car jacking last night. Police found the stolen white Toyota Celica this morning. It was parked at the Fiesta Apts. in Lompoc. Police say that Denise Morehead, 34-yrs. old, was pulled out of her car in Lompoc parking lot around 8:30 pm yesterday. The attacker also took her purse which had \$300.00 in cash. She had been at the Salvation Army dropping off some donations and this guy comes out of nowhere and robs her. Some partial fingerprints were found on the car. But so far no arrests have been made. Police are looking for a young hispanic male, between 5'6" and 5'8" weighing about 160 lbs.

NEWS FEATURE

August 7, 1998

5,6pm

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Today was filled with dramatic testimony in the murder trial of five men accused of stabbing and killing Raul Masqueda to finish the first weeks. Eyewitnesses to the stabbing testified today about what happened the night of April 12th in a Paso Robles home. The witnesses said the defendants kicked in the door of the house, started chasing Masqueda and then began stabbing him. The trial will continue next week.

NEWS FEATURE

August 7, 1998

5,6pm

1:00

A Santa Maria man shot and killed by police was HIGH ON DRUGS at the time of the shooting. That is the word from the Santa Barbara County Coroner. A new report says that Dwaine Sanchez, 26-yrs. old, had lethal levels of drugs in his body. Sanchez, however, did not die from the drugs. The coroner confirms the cause of death was multiple gunshot wounds. Santa Maria Police officers fired a total of 18-shots at Sanchez in the June shooting. The officers who pulled the triggers have been cleared of any wrongdoing.

NEWS FEATURE

August 7, 1998

5,6,11pm

6:30

The focus of San Luis Obispo is on juvenile crime-problems and solutions. The "Juvenile Justice Summit" was sponsored by Senator Jack O'Connell. Panelists and speakers spoke about what San Luis Obispo County needs to keep juveniles from growing up with a life of problems, or a life of crime. The summit included both state and local leaders. Many said the juvenile crime crisis must be battled with money from the state and with hands-on help from the community.

NEWS FEATURE

August 11, 1998 11pm

2:20

Tonight, \$300,000.00 of methamphetamine is off the streets. Today, SLO County Narcotics Tasks Force conducted a major drug bust on the central coast. As a result, seven people are behind bars and investigators say others will join them soon.

Undercover agents negotiated a sales with drug dealers and arranged to make the trade at the SLO Airport. An exchange took place, but it wasn't the one expected. A deal for 11-lbs. of methamphetamine for \$56,000.00. The cops showed the money, they showed the dope and they went to jail. Rather than hitting the streets, the drugs went to the police lab. There it is valued by the number of resulting arrests, not by its price per gram. A lot of dope was taken off of the streets. Investigators also seized several vehicles and bank accounts. The narcotics task force says the operation seriously crippled a local drug ring. The bust breaks up a south county network for distribution of 10-lbs. of drugs a week. Seven central coast residents were arrested in the drug bust: Juan Baza, 28-year old of Oceano; Robert Clarke of Cayucos, Susan de la Cruz, 35-yrs. old. All face federal charges which carry a maximum penalty of life in prison and four million dollar fine. The investigation is far from over.

NEWS FEATURE

August 12, 1998 6pm

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2:30

Jorge Bello, 29-yrs. old, of Grover Beach was arrested yesterday in connection with the big drug bust. He is being held on \$500K bail. The San Luis Obispo County Narcotics Task Foce seized \$300K worth of drugs and made seven arrests on Tuesday. Further investigation led them to a Grover Beach home. That is where they siezed drug packaging, \$56,000 in cash and three cars. A drug lab in a California Valley has also been discovered. The company Pacific Wholesale shown in video was not involved in the drug bust at all.

NEWS FEATURE

August 13, 1998 5,6,11pm

An early morning traffic stop leads the California Highway Patrol to an arsenal of loaded guns. CHP officers seized eight rifles, five handguns and 1,500 extra rounds of ammunition. All these were found in the passenger side of a car driven by a 54-yr. old Goleta woman. Officers stopped Irene Lyons as she was driving 15 mph on Hwy. 101 in Gaviota. Investigators don't believe the weapons are connected to any crimes. CHP says there were small amounts of methamphetamine and marijuana in the car. Lyons faces four charges, including driving under the influence and possession of a controlled substance while armed. She is being held on \$7,500 bail.

NEWS FEATURE

August 14, 1998 5,6,11pm

Local law enforcement is touting the culmination of a major drug investigation. They it is probably one of the 10-biggest drug busts in the history of San Luis Obispo County. It all came to a head this week, when narcotics agents seized 11-lbs. of meth at the San Luis Obispo Airport. Sold on the street, that much meth is worth around \$300K. By the end of the week, drug agents had seized 7-vehicles, almost \$30K in cash and more than \$80K in bank accounts. Local law agents say they know fighting meth is an uphill battle. Officers call it an epidemic.

NEWS FEATURE

August 17, 1998 5,6pm

1:00

4:10

A weekend shooting in Paso Robles ends with neighbors concerned about possible gang activity. Police say a man was shot about 8:30 last night near the corner of 28th St. and Spring St. The victim sustained gunshot wounds to his right side and is in stable condition after surgery. Investigators say they suspect the incident is gang related. The

search for the shooter continues.

NEWS FEATURE

August 17, 1998

5,6pm

1:10

No resolution to problems facing two local attorneys in a high-profile murder case. Mark Johnson and Adrian Andrade were contracted by the County to represent two of the suspects in the Vandenberg Federal Credit Union murder and robbery case. But the case has dragged on, and the contract with the attorneys has ended. Now, the lawyers say they want more money for the extra time they have to give the case. A new ruling today means no resolution. The judge told the lawyers to take their money woes to another court for a decision.

NEWS FEATURE

August 17, 1998

5,6,11pm

1:15

A Nipomo school teacher is sentenced today for fondling two students. Fourth grade teacher Alexander Polosjuk pleaded no contest to the crimes. A judge found the former Dana Elementary School teacher guilty of abusing two of his female students. Today, a Superior Court Judge sentenced Polosjuk to six years in prison. He will have to pay restitution and will be registered as a sex offender.

NEWS FEATURE

August 19, 1998

6,11pm

1:20

Two inmates of the California Youth Authority in Paso Robles are on the loose this afternoon. They escaped just before noon from the Juvenile Detention Camp. Christopher Gamel is 19-yrs. old, weighs 145-lbs, has blondish-brown hair and blue eyes. He also has a tatoo of a skull on his left arm and a skull tatooed on his left ankle. The other escapee is Valentin Perez who is 19-yrs. old, six feet tall and weighs 141-lbs. He has black hair and brown eyes. He was committed to the youth authorits for attempted car-jacking. If you can help call the youth authority at the number on your screen 238-4040.

NEWS FEATURE

August 19, 1998

5,6,11pm

1:25

A routine traffic stop on Hwy. 101 turned into a drug bust. A Sheriff's deputy noticed something strange about the car. A closer look revealed a hidden compartment in the dash and 8-lbs. of methamphetamine with a street value of \$200K. The San Luis Obispo County Narcotics Task Force says Hwy. 101 is a well known drug corridor. The officer arrested Alvaro Rodriguez, 24-yrs. old, of San Jose, CA.

NEWS FEATURE

August 19, 1998

5,6,11pm

3:15

Eight agents from the State Dept. of Justice served a search warrant this morning on Dr. Greg Hauser's office. Dr. Hauser is a pediodontist in Arroyo Grande. He specializes in kids dental work. Today, children and adults witnessed agents raiding the office. State officials will not disclose what the agents are looking for as this is part of an ongoing investigation. No arrests were made. A search warrant is merely for information gathering. We will bring you more details on this investigation as they become available.

NEWS FEATURE

August 23, 1998

11pm

1:00

A Central Coast woman was mailing letters that contain sodium cyanide, a poison. The plot was uncovered in Marina del Rey and involves a woman from Carpinteria. The

woman was arrested earlier today, after authorities say she was caught trying to send 100-envelopes with the poison inside of them. The envelopes also contained brochures saying the substance was a nutritional supplement. The mailing were headed to people as far away as New York, USA. The cyanide powder form was placed in small plastic bags inside the envelope. As of now, no word on whether any of the envelopes made it into the mail. The name of the woman has not been released.

NEWS FEATURE

August 23, 1998

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The death of a Santa Maria man and his son spark a manhunt for the killer. Investigators with the SLO County Sheriff's Dept. spent this morning scouring rural Nipomo in search of clues. The bodies of Angel Cassio, Sr., 47-yrs. old, and his 14-yr. old son were found last night with possible gunshot wounds, at the Wineman Ranch on Thompson Rd. Investigators say three Hispanic men were spotted leaving the scene in a dark, late-model sports coupe. One of those men may have been shot during the incident.

NEWS FEATURE

August 23, 1998 6,11pm

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Federal drug smuggling charges have been filed against a Santa Barbara pilot. Daniel Wesley Allen, 52-yrs. old, is accused of bringing 600-lbs. of cocaine into the country aboard his plane last week. That plane was tracked across the Mexican border and finally to Santa Paula, where low fuel forced him to land. Allen will be arraigned in Federal Court a week from tomorrow.

NEWS FEATURE

August 24, 1998

5,6,11pm

2:00

The coroner's office is performing autopsies on a father and son found dead this weekend in Nipomo. SLO County Sherrif's Deputies found the two farmworkers' bodies on the Wineman Ranch outside of Nipomo. Angel Cossio, Sr., 47-yrs. old, of Santa Maria and his 14-yr. old son were found with possible gunshot wounds. Investigators say three hispanic men were spotted leaving the scene in a dark-colored, late model sports coupe. One of those men may have been shot in the incident. A Sheriff's spokesperson says Angel Cossio, Sr. may have fired a hand gun. No word yet on motive, although it is believed Cossio had a large amount of cash on him. Autopsy results will be released tomorrow.

NEWS FEATURE

August 24, 1998 5,6,11pm

3:00

A local woman is under attest charged with a bizarre crime. Kathryn Schooner, 50-yrs. old, is getting national attention. Authorities say she tried to poison more than 100-people. She was arrested at a post office in Marina del Rey. LA Police say that on Sunday she was caught stuffing 100-packets of deadly sodium cyanide into envelopes along with brochures describing the powder as a nutritional supplement. The envelopes were addressed to people from S. California to New York. Postal authorities are looking for business-sized envelopes. The letters are off-grey and have a plastic window. They do not have a return address. Sherriffs say if a person consumed a packet it would cause instant death. The mailing could have caused mass murder.

NEWS FEATURE

August 25, 1998

5, 6 & 11pm

5:09

Five men accused of stabbing Raul Masqueda to death in Paso Robles face another day

in court. Today one of the most important witnesses in the case takes the stand for the third day. Today inside a court room at the San Luis Obispo Vets Hall a man who witnessed the stabbing tells the jury how it happened. He says he sawy Masqueda bleeding to death and he saw defendant David Rey wiping of the knife used to stab him. The witness could not be shown as he was one of seven alleged gang members who stormed into a Vine street apartment and attacked Masqueda.

NEWS FEATURE

August 25, 1998

5,6,11pm 6:40

Federal charges may soon be filed against a Carpinteria woman, a woman who allegedly planned to poison dozens of doctors and police officers by sending cyanide through the mail. The LA County DA's office turned the case over to Federal prosecutors today. That means that K. Schoonover could face federal charges. Meanwhile, more is learned about her: She is 50-yrs. old and spent time in a psychiatric ward in 1994. Reports indicate she was committed after being found by NY State Police along a highway. She claims that she was given medication that caused her to lose her baby, yet there are no official records of her being pregnant. There is one local person who knows Schoonover. David Talmage worked with her at an LA cable company where she was a public access TV producer. David Talmage is a musician, surfer and TV Director. He says she was suspended for not following rules. She then sent threatening letters to those in charge. He never felt threatened by her, but struck him as someone he should keep his eye on and know where she was. Talmage does not think he was sent any poison, but wonders if he was on the list.

NEWS FEATURE

August 26, 1998 11pm

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Tonight there is an alert. The CHP is warning all Central Coast residents to beware of a possible telephone scam. The CHP tells us someone is trying to pass themselves off as a police officer asking for funds for DUI equipment and training. If you receive any suspicious calls you are asked to contact the CHP immediately.

NEWS FEATURE

August 26, 1998 5,6,11pm

1:20

There is an arrest in an arson investigation that has crossed State lines. It all began with an August fire in Santa Ynez. Investigators say someone set a duplex on fire in Mid-August. Today, the suspect, Scott Laird, is behind bars in Colorado. Investigators say he set the blaze then fled the state. The duplex belonged to Laird's ex-wife.

NEWS FEATURE

August 26, 1998

2:4

5,6,11pm

A woman accused of mailing cyanide to dozens of people is being held without bail on two counts of attempted murder. Kathryn Schoonover was in a LA courtroom this afternoon. Federal charges allege that she knowingly mailed a poison with the intent to injure and kill. The 50-yr. old cancer patient was arrested this weekend in Marina del Rey. Scoonover was found with the envelopes containing the cyanide disguised as nutritional supplements. At least one person became sick after tasting the cyanide but there have been no deaths from the cyanide mailings.

August 27, 1998 5, 6 & 11pm 2:01

More news on the recent murder of a father and son in Nipomo. Today the San Luis Obispo County Sheriff's Department released a photograph of the suspects' car. The pictures are similar to the vehicle eyewitnesses saw leaving the scene the night of the murder. Angel Cossio and his 14 year old son were shot and killed in a bean field at a Nipomo ranch. There are no suspects at this time, but investigators say the motive may have been robbery. A Santa Maria church has set up a fund for the surviving Cossio family members.

NEWS FEATURE

August 28, 1998 5,6,11pm 1:10

A wild number of arrests after a beach party gets nude and lude. Undercover and uniformed deputies started watching the Rincon County Beach in S.B. County after a large increase in citizen complaints. Officers arrested 23-men yesterday ranging in age from 21 to 41. They are all charged with lewd conduct. Nude sunbathing is a misdemeanor, but the fine can be as high as \$10K.

NEWS FEATURE

August 28, 1998 5,6,11pm 1:1

tonight a man accused of attempted murder is behind bars. Cano Sanchez was arrested in Ventura. Sanchez was wanted for a murder attempt in Pismo Beach on July 17, 1998. Police say he attacked and stabbed his victim 5 times than ran. Sanchez is a known gang member from Ventura. Police in Pismo Beach worked with Ventura police who then made the arrest.

NEWS FFATURE

August 28, 1998 5,6,11pm 5:15

A Santa Maria family prepares to bury a father and son who were shot to death in Nipomo in a bean field. Angel Cossio, Sr., 47-yrs. old, and his son, Angel, Jr., 14-yrs. old, were killed in a garbanzo bean field in rural Nipomo. Investigators believe the murders stemmed from a botched robbery. People who knew Cossio say he had no enemies. Police say Cossio senior fired shots with a small caliber gun found near his body. Ranch owner Ernie Wineman confirms that Cossio owned a handgun, but says he did not usually carry it. Police are posting flyers around town asking people if they have seen a dark blue or black sports car which may have bullet holes in it.

NEWS FEATURE

August 28, 1998 11pm

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Also at Mission San Miguel, an update to a vandalism story ran last Spring. A missing statue head that was reported on in March has still not turned up. The Madonna head was stolen of a 15th Century statue. Since there is no sign that someone will bring it back, the mission has hired an artist to redesign the missing portion. If you have any information please contact the SLOPD.

NEWS FEATURE

August 29, 1998 6pm

:49

A Lompoc teen is in police custody for the sexual assault of a twelve yar old boy. Police say a 16 year old boy approced the 12 year old at a park and claimed to be a police officer. Investigators say the victim went with the suspect to a riverbed area and that is where the assault allegedly occurred.

August 29, 1998

6 & 11pm

:49

An armed robber surprises employees working at a local McDonald's restaurant. The McDonald's was robbed shortly before one am. The armed robber forced the manager and three employees to lie on the floor, while he took money from the cash register.

NEWS FEATURE

August 31, 1998

6,11pm

2:25

It was a heinous crime first reported on in May of this year. A woman was kidnapped, taken to a brocolli field where she was burned to death. Today, a preliminary hearing for the three Santa Maria defendants charged with murdering 23-yr. old Mona Masters was held. Those three people are Linda Achterberg, Jose Estrada and Julie Padilla appeared before a judge in Santa Maria. The judge will decide whether the trio should stand trial. Attorneys spent most of the day questioning a pathologist who did the autopsy on Masters' body. Dr. George Sterbenz testified, "There is evidence that Ms. Masters was breathing at the time of her death. Therefore, I believe she was alive when she was set on fire." The pathologist says Masters was probably conscious for most of the time while she was burned. Two other witnesses also took the stand this afternoon. The hearing will continue tomorrow.

FCC REPORTS ECONOMY AUGUST 1998

NEWS FEATURE

August 4, 1998

5,6pm

2:35

The largest orchid growers in the world are now located on the Central Coast. Michael Glikbarg owns 40,000 sq. ft. of orchid green houses in Los Osos, CA. The plants are actually very easy to grow. Some are sold to the public, but that is rare, since the plant is expensive. A plant that has not yet bloomed will sell for \$50,000.00. One orchid, called the Sherry Baby, smells like chocolate. Orchids, overall, are much cheaper than the average consumer might think. Orchids of Los Osos will have an open house on Labor Day weekend. You can also check into their website at webcom.com/orchid.

NEWS FEATURE

August 5,1998

5.6pm

1:55

The Spice Hunter, a San Luis company that started in 1980 and is now a \$20 million business, is expanding its operations. That means more local jobs. The expansion also allows the opportunity to explore more flavors. For example, they offer a new, neverbefore found spice that comes from the Aegean sea. The spices are distributed to stores all over the nation. The Spice Hunter will move into its new 110,000 sq. ft. building in November.

NEWS FEATURE

August 10, 1998 6pm

:55

The California Mid-State Fair is over. The attendance figures are out and up, 12% higher than last year. It was more than just a fair, fair. More variety and more people and more attention. Fair manager John Alkire was interviewed.

NEWS FEATURE

August 13, 1998

5,6,11pm

3:05

A Central Coast man is living the American Dream. It started in his garage but now is part of a \$4 billion business. Phil Patti started welding fitness equipment in his garage 20-yrs. ago. The company, Life Fitness, noticed his work and bought the small operation. Today, as General Manager, Phil is celebrating the grand opening of a 125,000 square foot factory and wherehouse. Life Fitness makes more than 37 kinds of machines from scratch. They ship to over 120 countries. The company is helping to fuel the local economy. By year end the company will have almost 200 employees.

NEWS FEATURE

August 24, 1998

5,6,11pm

1:30

They are fearful about their future. After one of Lompoc's largest employers suddenly decides to shut it's doors. Today, more than 70-employees spent the day filing unemployment papers. On Friday, Grefco Minerals, Inc. went out of business. Grefco CEO said the decision is based on increased pressure from environmental regulatory agencies. Long time employees are still in shock. The plant will fully shut down in two months.

NEWS FEATURE

August 28,1998

5,11pm

:45

A popular Paso Robles Winery is changing hands. Martin Brothers Winery has been sold to Tom Martin's sister Mary. She and her husband, David Weyrich, plan to add on to the

winery and tasting room. You can expect to see a larger tasting room, a commercial kitchen and a new bed & breakfast on the property. A new barrel room is already complete.

FCC REPORTS GROWTH CONTROL/PLANNING AUGUST 1998

NEWS FEATURE

August 4, 1998

5,6pm

:45

Grover Beach is getting a new fire station. The City Council voted, last night, to spend more than \$500K to replace the old station. That station is cramped, crowded and needs to be retrofitted for earthquakes. The city will now build a new fire station next to the police station. It could take four to six months to build.

NEWS FEATURE

August 4, 1998

11pm

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Arroyo Grande is about to get a new museum. The South County Historical Society plans to turn the Odd Fellows Lodge into that museum. It started today with a construction wall. Members of the society will walk through the building for the last time this weekend. A retrofit project will then take over. The project should take about 18-months.

NEWS FEATURE

August 4, 1998

5pm

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Customers of Falcon Cable saw an increase of \$1.50 in their rates. Today, Falcon asked the Board of Supervisors to allow a monthly rate increase of \$3.83 over the next 3-yrs. It was told to keep it to just \$0.62. If the company appeals the Board's decision, and the FCC does not support it, refunds will be due.

NEWS FEATURE

August 4, 1998

6pm

1:10

A brand new college will be opening up in San Luis Obispo in about two weeks. It is the N. County Campus of Cuesta College. With that new campus comes a new Dean. She is Sandee McLaughlin. She began moving into her new office today. Sandee, however, has been the Dean of Students for the past couple of years on the main campus. She now has a new title and a whole new challenge. She was interviewed on the air.

NEWS FEATURE

August 5, 1998

5,6,11pm

2:46

The out of control housing market continues to effect all elements of real estate on the Central Coast. One mobile home owner in Los Osos purchased his home six years ago for \$110,00 and it is now worth \$129,000. Traditionally, mobile homes have been a good barometer for the housing market.

NEWS FEATURE

August 6, 1998

5,6,11pm

3:30

The North Coast Plan is a proposal to develop the coastline near Hearst Castle. It is a controversial plan that has left the County Board of Supervisors divided. The California Coastal Commission rejected the plan, recommending 137 changes. The Board is considering a compromise deal, but one Supervisor wants to deviate from the plan, to get things moving forward. Mike Ryan wants to break up the current proposal into seperate regions. He wants each development considered seperately. The Board is expected to take action on the matter on Tuesday.

August 11, 1998

11pm

:50

Business is brewing in Atascadero. A restaurant and bar are soon to open in the city's downtown district. McCarthy's II will finally fill the building that has been vacant for years. Improvements continue to be made at the historic Carlton Hotel. The clocks are running. Business is booming, other new additions to Atascadero include an AM\PM Market on Morro Rd. and an Albertson's Grocery Store on the other end of town. City leaders tell Action News they are excited to see new life breathe in the area.

NEWS FEATURE

August 11, 1998 11pm

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Santa Maria's new claim to famie is now in big letters for everyone to see. Today, City leaders unveiled the All America City sign in front of City Hall. Dozens of City staff members and residents who competed for the award turned out for the unveiling. Mayor Maldonado said all 70,000 residents should be proud of the honor. Santa Maria is one of ten in the Nation to be named an **ALL-AMERICA CITY!**

NEWS FEATURE

August 12, 1998 5pm

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The new Cuesta College campus opens in Paso Robles in less than a week. Those who are going to teach there are getting ready. Tonight, a brief will be held. It is for the faculty and others who will work at the college. It takes place at six. The school will officially open on August 17, 1998.

NEWS FEATURE

August 12, 1998 6pm

1:10

Another major shopping mall is in the works for SLO. It would be called the San Luis Market Place; a 40-acre shopping center next to the Central Coast Mall. Kevin Bird, developer of the project, joined Channel Six for an interview.

NEWS FEATURE

August 12, 1998

5,6,11pm

5:15

Development plans to bring a big box hardware store to San Luis Obipo are moving forward. The draft Environmental Impact Report for the Madonna Eagle Hardware and Garden Project on Froom Ranch is complete. The EIR is the first hurdle in the planning process. It is also a document that raises concerns: There are some concerns with the noise that would impact neighboring residential areas and there are biological concerns due to wetlands nearby. The draft EIR proposes moving the building outside the Wetland area. It also proposes widening Los Osos Valley Rd. to four lanes. The draft EIR will be reviewed for 40-days. This is just the beginning of the process for Madonna. Planners say if there are no major delays actual work on the project may begin in Spring of next year.

NEWS FEATURE

August 14, 1998 5,6pm

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Affordable housing helped Santa Maria win its All-America City award and now the City is unveiling its latest project. Eighteen low-cost apratments are being dedicated today. It is the second phase of the Valentine Court Apartments, an affordable housing complex for senior citizens. The apartments sit on City owned land. People's Self-Help Housing built the units with the help of \$1,500,000.00 federal grant.

FCC REPORTS ENVIRONMENT AUGUST 1998

NEWS FEATURE

August 1, 1998

6,11pm

4:05

One popular beach on the Central Coast does not have any lifeguards. This, however, may change soon. Several people are lucky to have the few lifeguards around that there are. During the week there are not any lifeguards at Oceano. On weekends, there are only two. Lifeguards are being called in at record numbers. Some rangers are trained in water rescue, but they have other things to do around the beach. Rangers warn that if you are not a strong swimmer that Oceano may not be the beach for you.

NEWS FEATURE

August 3, 1998

5, 6pm

3:48

A local community, Oceano, is attempting to organize a clean up group in the area. Many of the residents are tired of the garbage that's piled up in yards and streets. They're asking everyone to band together with help from San Luis Obispo County, to move the junk out. The problem goes beyond litter, there are furniture and cars almost everywhere you look. Cleanup organizers say it's not because people are lazy or messy, it's because hauling large items can be expensive. The committee is organizing a cleanup weekend in October and they're gathering donations to defray the cost of tipping fees at the landfill. Between now and October, the committee is holding meetings twice a week.

NEWS FEATURE

August 3, 1998

5, 6pm

1:16

A poisonous gas leak at the California Mens Colony sends two people to the hospital. At around ten am this morning a cloud of harmful gas was released from a chemical tank at the CMC's water treatment plant. A prison spokesman says the problem occurred when a delivery truck delivered the wrong chemical to the plant. One staff member and the delivery truck driver suffered a reaction and were sent to the hospital. Hazardous materials' expert determined the spill caused no threat to the public.

NEWS FEATURE

August 4, 1998

5,6,11pm

1:40

It was reported last summer of oil seeping into the Nipomo yard of Frank Lewotsky. It is a sticky gooey mess that may not get cleaned up any time soon. Waste oil was illegally dumped on the site in the 1940's. It was covered up and homes were built there. The State's EPA did some testing and the results are in. It is not considered to be a health hazard. That means no State money. The results will now be given to the Federal EPA for review.

NEWS FEATURE

August 4, 1998

5,6,11pm

1:00

Rincon Beach has been plagued with high bacteria levels. That means the beach has been closed. The District Supervisor wants to know what is causing the contamination. The Board also wants to now include Rincon Beach on the County's watershed testing.

NEWS FEATURE

August 4, 1998

5,6,11pm

1:15

The port beach in San Luis Obispo is still closed until test results, which are due

tomorrow, come in. Yesterday, thousands of gallons of untreated sewage from the waste water treatment plant in Pt. San Luis spilled into a creek and ran into the ocean. Near by the Port Beach was shut down, just in case. Water samples were taken at Avila Beach as well, but that beach remains open.

NEWS FEATURE

August 5, 1998 6pm

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Last week when Bishops Peak school was being repainted, they found toxic levels of lead in the paint. Construction was stopped and the school was sealed off last Wednesday. Clean up crews vacuumed the paint chips. School officials say the school will be repainted with safe paint. And all the revovations will be complete by August 31st.

NEWS FEATURE

August 6, 1998

6,11pm

1:50

The recent hot temperatures are a welcome sight for central coast vineyards. The fruit on the vines is drinking in the sunshine. After a wet winter some vineyards are behind, but this recent heatwave should help the grapes catch up. Some are already starting to change colors. These longer days are going to give more ripening on the vine as long as the heat will be available. The harvest may even come a bit early. The heat also gives the grapes more flavor.

NEWS FEATURE

August 9, 1998

6,11pm

4:05

The tall Monterey Pine Trees that have become an icon of the central coast are becoming a dying breed. Groups from all across the state, however, are searching for clues, and trying to stop the deadly disease from killing any more trees. It is a fungus called Pine Pitch Canker. In the past decade it has spread to 17 counties throughout California and has killed tens of thousands of Monterey Pines. The intensity of the fungus has triggered groups statewide to come to the Sixth Annual California Releaf Network. Dozens of groups toured San Simeon State Park for a lesson on Pitch Canker. The fungus is spread by small beetles going from tree to tree. Once the fungus gets into the tree, the tree weakens and quickly dies. Los Osos will probably lose most of its trees within 10-yrs., many have already died. The mission is to brainstorm a solution. The pines of Monterey are most susceptible to the disease, which is found from Mendocino County all the way down to San Diego. Experts say a cure is unlikely. If they can find a tree resistant to the fungus they will clone it and replant.

NEWS FEATURE

August 10, 1998

11pm

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A neighborhood east of Santa Maria will soon be able to breathe a little easier. That is because the owner of Rosemary Chicken Farms has agreed to get rid of mounds of chicken manure from the property. The manure, coupled with the excessive rain and high temperatures has led to a fly infestation of the Hancock Park Area. The company announced tonight at a public meeting that it will begin the clean-up immediately. The manure will be composted by a local business.

NEWS FEATURE

August 12, 1998

5,6,11pm

3:25

The California Coastal Commission has grudgingly given the green light to an \$18M dollar cleanup for the petroleum soaked beach town of Avila Beach. The decision came

following a public hearing today in Huntington Beach where several Avila residents testified. Buildings along entire blocks of the coastal town will be removed. The earth is being excavated so Unocal can remove tons of soil contaminated by underground oil pipes. Tonight's decision means the cleanup should begin on schedule next month. The only stipulation is that SLO County Planners change some of the wording on the permit. It that happens the commissioners will give their okay.

NEWS FEATURE

August 12, 1998 5,6,11pm 1:35

Central Coast fisherman want protection from the Federal Government. Today members of the Santa Barbara Shell Fish Industry met with Federal officials to discuss what they call the sea otter problem. Fisherman say sea otters are eating away their fishing grounds. South of Pt. Concepcion is supposed to be a Sea-Otter Free Zone. But this summer over a hundred of the threatened species crossed the boundary. Fisherman claim the otters are destroying the ocean bottom and costing the fishing industry millions of dollars.

NEWS FEATURE

August 12, 1998 6,11pm 3:25

This summer on the Central Coast the "Dog Days" might be better named the "Cricket Days."Those leaping insects are keeping a lot of us awake at night. The number of crickets in our area is higher than usual. It is due to our mild winter and unusually warm springs. That is why you may find the nocturnal insects chirping at your door for a snack. Vegetation is drying out and that means crickets move into areas where there is still green vegetation which is usually people's lawns, homes and other things. The most common cricket in SLO County are the field and European house variety. To keep the bugs away from your bed, check your screens to make sure they are tight. Crickets are transitory, so don't bother calling the exterminator. They are probably just passing through.

NEWS FEATURE

August 12, 1998 5,6pm

2:10

A pest from S. Europe is now sprouting up on the Central Coast. It is a foreign weed called Restharrow. The first infestation of the N. American continent is here in SLO County. A local rancher spotted it in the Suey Creek area. Restharrow spreads quickly and kills grass. Experts don't know how it got here, but, agricultural officials say it could potentially harm grazing for livestock. The weed has been removed and thrown away. The area will be monitored for the next few years. If you see a weed contact the County Dept. of Agriculture.

NEWS FEATURE

August 13, 1998 5,6,11pm

6:10

The Fish and Wildlife Service is considering whether sea otters should be allowed to live off the Santa Barbara Coast or not. For the past 12-yrs, these creatures haven't been allowed between Pt. Concepcion and the Mexico Border. The exception is San Nicholas Island where a small colony of otters has been experimentally relocated. Federal officials have not been able to relocate all otters that wander into the No Otter Zone. The Service is reconsidering the rule. Commercial fisherman say the Otter are eating up their profits. Many in the fishing industry want the Zone enforced. Environmentalists on the other side want the ban lifted, saying many otters do not survive relocation. A decision on the Zone

will be made within a year.

NEWS FEATURE

August 13, 1998 11pm

:20

Fire leave two central coast families homeless tonight. Flames broke out in the Mission Canyon area of Santa Barbara early this evening. Santa Barbara County and City firefighters say the blaze on Palomino Rd. was difficult to contain. No word on the cause. The Red Cross is assisting the ten people left homeless tonight.

NEWS FEATURE

August 13, 1998

5,6,11pm

1:15

An update on the drainage system in Atascadero. The owner of NFL Construction, the company hired to build the project, told Action News it was not "payroll problems" but a discrepancy with the city that kept workers from showing up at the job for the past few days. Crews are now back at work and the project is on schedule.

NEWS FEATURE

August 13, 1998

5,6,11pm

1:10

Cleanup at another contaminated Unocal site gets the go ahead. The County Planning Commission approved a permit today for the remediation and abandonment project at the Guadalupe Dunes. The plan involves 17-contaminated sites and work will be done over a five year period. The permit is now up for appeal.

NEWS FEATURE

August 13, 1998

6,11pm

2:20

In Morro Bay it is a big job that is putting tax dollars hard at work. The 200-ft. long, "Yaquina" is dredging Morro Bay, one of the most dangerous harbors on the Pacific Coast. Over the years, the bay has been dredged to remove the sand and silt that builds up. This big ship dredges like a big vacuum. Huge arms suck up the sand on the bottom of the bay. The sand is then taken to a nearby beach. The huge ship can carry up to 100-dump trucks of sand. When the dredging is done it should be smooth sailing for boats coming in and out of Morro Bay's Harbor.

NEWS FEATURE

August 18, 1998

5, 6 & 11pm

1:38

It's an issue that is being debated -- should the California Parks Department charge a fee for using the popular Montana de Oro State Park? Local politicians are taking a stand on a proposed "user fee". Assemblyman Tom Bordonaro says only "foreigners" should be charge an admission fee. The republican from Paso Robles says by charging "non-locals" the state will still generate revenues. Bordonaro says his plan would be enforced by asking visitors to show ID before they enter the park

NEWS FEATURE

August 18, 1998

5, 6 &11pm

2:01

The report is in on how much El Nino damage affected the community. More than 77 million dollars in low interest loans have been granted to homes and businesses damaged by El Nino floods. Of that amount, San Luis Obispo County received just over a million dollars in loans. Santa Barbara County had about three and a half million dollars.

NEWS FEATURE

August 19, 1998

5,6pm

1:05

Three central coast juveniles face charges for a fire that threatened homes near Lompoc

yesterday. The blaze broke out on Sweeney Rd. late in the afternoon and burned 78-acres before firefighters brought it under control. The flames endangered 4 nearby homes and some animals. No damage was reported. Investigators say the cause of the blaze is arson and three children are responsible. One of them has already been arrested and charged with the crime. Charges against the other two are pending.

NEWS FEATURE

August 19, 1998 6,11pm 2:40

San Luis Obispo County and City Officials are working to blaze a new trail to the top of Bishop Peak. They want to make climbing the peak safer for hikers. They also want to stop erosion that is damaging wildlife habitats. They are trying to get one trail and make a really good one and cut down on the other ones that cause erosion and other damages. So far, CDG crews have cut about half of the new trail. It will meet up with the Foothill Path. Planners will start marking the route up to the top in September. They hope to have the trail complete by this fall.

NEWS FEATURE

August 19, 1998 5,6,11pm 3:35

The endangered Peregrine Falcons are growing in population, but not in Morro Bay. A bird research crew came from Santa Cruz to look for answers. The falcons on Morro Rock had an unsuccesful nesting season. Falcon lovers gathered this morning to see the research group hike up Morro Rock and rappel down to the caves. They are taking egg fragment samples from the nests for research. The falcons were almost extinct in the 70's because of a pesticide used to control mosquitoes, DDT. It is a pesticide known to cause excessively thin egg shells. Experts suspect that left-over pesticides from the nearby estuary may be the problem. Results will go to the Dept. of Fish and Wildlife. In the meantime, Peregrines in Morro Bay will continue being monitored closely.

NEWS FEATURE

August 19, 1998 5,6,11pm 5:30

It is normally a monumental task for firefighters, but this year's fire season has been unusually quiet. The California Dept. of Forestry says El Nino brought on damper conditions on a late blooming summer. Firefighters warn not to let your guard down. Fire season may wait until early fall to start. Keep in mind that it is not a crime to clear the brush and low-hanging branches around your home during fire season. The Dept. of Forestry does do inspections on the Central Coast. Here is a quick list at areas determined to be at risk for a major wildfire. Santa Barbara County; Mission Canyon, Hope Ranch and Tepusquet. San Luis Obispo County; Las Pilitas Rd., Squire Canyon, Prefumo Canyon and the area east of Atascadero.

NEWS FEATURE August 21, 1998 6 & 11pm 3:23

A road construction project in Atascadero is supposed to improve conditions for local residents. But some people who live in the rural neighborhood don't like it. The city of Atascadero is specding a third of a million doallars to re-pave part of Graves Creek Rd. They say it's a project that's badly needed. But some people feel that it's destroying the area's natural beauty and others are raising concerns about safety. Almost forty trees were uprooted so the road could be repaved and drainage pipes put in.

2:20

NEWS FEATURE

August 25, 1998 5 & 11pm

There's nothing like fresh fruit straight off the tree. Cal Poly's student orchard is ripe for picking fresh fruit. Chris Hubert, the orchard manager, says that although it's nearing the end of the season, there's still plenty of apples, peaches, plums and pears. You get a bucket and a ladder and what you bring home is up to you. You're assured it's going to taste good, compared to a grocery store, it's tree ripened and all the sugars are going to be developed. You can buy some of the fresh fruit at Farmer's Market on Thursday night.

NEWS FEATURE

August 27, 1998 6 & 11pm 2:16

This year has been a tough one for growing roses. A wet winter coupled with a dry, hot summer and fog on the coast spell trouble for the blooming beauties. This year, other rose bushes are battling rust, like this one here. They really need to be fertilized they're heavy feeders they need to be fed every six weeks and need to be watered a lot and mulched. Most fertilizers will cost you between five and ten dollars.

NEWS FEATURE

August 27, 1998 6 & 11pm 4:02

Plans for a sewer in Los Osos have been a hot topic of debate for years. San Luis Obispo County has a plan for a sewer system that has an estimated price tag of about 65 million dollars. At this time a number of local residents are puching an alternative plan that they say will only cost about half as much, and will be more effective. Tonight, those in support of the alternative sewer say they hope any state money will go towards their plan. This bill would designate some 80 million dollars for eliminating pollution at a national estuary. That means some portion of the money, perhaps as much as 35 million could be requested for Los Osos and for Morro Bay.

NEWS FEATURE

August 29, 1998 11pm :27

Some scientific experiments here on the Central Coast may be laying the groundwork for a mission to Jupiter. At the Monterey Bay Aquarium, this kelp tank is beign used to test parts of a robot probe designed for a trip to Jupiter's moon Europa. The probe's underwater tests help scientists learn how well it will detect temperatures, chemicals and nutrients on Europa.

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NEWS FEATURE

August 1, 1998

6,11pm

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Truck drivers from all over the State gathered in Santa Maria to remember a local man. More than 40-big rigs met at St. Mary's Church to bid farewell to Gary Murphy, owner of Murphy & Sons Trucking. The man was well-known in the trucking industry for hauling rock and sand. he died at 51 after a long battle with his health. The procession paraded down College Dr. and ended at the Elks Lodge.

NEWS FEATURE

August 1, 1998

6,11pm

4:10

Vandenberg AFB opened it's gates to the public this weekend for the first time in three years. It is the largest air show ever for the base and some top guns are flying in. One of the most popular acts is the Golden Knights Parachute Team, who are the top formation jumpers in the Army, and possibly the World. These guys steal the show with kids rushing to get their autographs. There are plenty of other displays as well. The show will run for two days.

NEWS FEATURE

August 4, 1998

6,11pm

1:00

Van Halen takes center stage tonight at the Mid-State Fair as the Main Grandstand Stage. The concert was jam-packed and hot. The band was very good.

NEWS FEATURE

August 4, 1998

6pm

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On August 12, 1998 the California Coastal Commission is holding a meeting on the appeal of the Unocal cleanup at Avila Beach. The meeting will be in Huntington Beach. The excavation of Avila is ninth on the agenda. Peg Pinard, County Supervisor, is asking the commission to set an exact time for the Avila Beach appeal since people from the Central Coast have to travel so far to attend.

NEWS FEATURE

August 5, 1998

5,6pm

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The grand celebration known as Old Spanish Days kicks off in Santa Barbara today. The festival, the largest in Santa Barbara, began in 1924. It has grown into 5 days of music, dance, and parade. It also comes with booths of arts and crafts and not to mention fabulous food. For more information log onto www.oldspanishdays-fiesta.org. Opening ceremonies begin tonight at 8 pm at the Santa Barbara Mission.

NEWS FEATURE

August 6, 1998

5,6,11pm

1:15

The second day of celebration in Santa Barbara is going on. It is the 74th Annual Old Spanish Days. The five day fiesta is to help preserve the city's rich Spanish and Mexican heritage. Authentic Mexican food, tradition and music can be found there. The Stock Horse Show and Rodeo kicks off tonight.

NEWS FEATURE

August 7, 1998

6,11pm

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Health officials closed San Luis Obispo's only public pool after fecal matter is found in the water. Sinsheimer Pool has been closed since yesterday. Pool officials replaced the

water and are waiting 36-hrs. to let the new water filter through. The pool should be back open tomorrow morning at it's regular hour, 6:30 am.

NEWS FEATURE

August 8, 1998

6pm

1:25

Volunteers spent the day at San Luis Obispo's octagon barn, a piece of Central Coast history, attempting to restore it. Work crews are currently digging out the barn's old foundation, to make room for a new one. The strategy is to build a foundation then they can straighten up the walls and then the roof, they will probably won't be working on the roof until next year. Estimates for the roof alone will cost at least \$50,000. Members of the land conservancy say they hope to have the barn restored in two years.

NEWS FEATURE

August 8, 1998

6,11pm

1:59

A Central Coast veteran makes good on a long-standing promise today, and returns to the wild blue yonder. Karl Heauser did today what he has not done in more than 50 years, he parachuted out of a plane, with friends and family there to cheer him on. The 76 year old veteran spent ten months as a Prisoner of War after being shot down over France in World War II.

NEWS FEATURE

August 13, 1998

6pm

1:05

She is a local lady with a big dream, to save the monarch butterflies. Joining Newsmakers was Sheila Boone. She is a fifth-generation great granddaughter of Daniel Boone. For the past two years she has been raising money to build the Butterfly Palace. She needs \$800,000,000.00 to build the palace. She was interviewed.

NEWS FEATURE

August 13, 1998 11pm

2:15

Today, 50 of the world's most high-powered sports cars were driving through on their way to Carmel, CA. Leading the way was an auto racing legend, Mario Andretti. The road trip was to kick off this weekend's big auto event, The Concourse Italiano. For more than an hour, local fans waited for a glimpse, some more patient than others. Mario was happy to oblige the fans, signing everything in sight. It isn't every day you see these cars on the Central Coast. The speedometer says the car can go up to 220 mph. The price tag, we do not want to know. Vik Keuilian, President of Lamborghini N. America, says the price range without tax is \$275K, over \$375K with luxury and sales tax. CHP led the convoy at high speeds of up to 200 mph.

NEWS FEATURE

August 14, 1998

5, 6 & **1**1pm

3:12

Three friends from Northern California were sunbathing in Pismo Beach when a large boulder fell and struck a fifty year old woman. The force of the blow crushed bones in her spine and in her rib cage. The Pismo Beach Police Department is investigating the incident, just to make sure mother nature loosened the boulder and not someone from on top of the cliff. The woman was taken to Sierra Vista Hospital and underwent surgery, she's now recovering in the intensive care unit.

NEWS FEATURE

August 14, 1998

5 & 6pm

2:12

There is an unknown agency that many parents can benefit from. It is called the "Lending Library" of San Luis Obispo County. Visiting the lending library is an inexpensive way to

entertain your family. It is stocked with toys, books and games. Anyone can borrow anything at the reasonable price of \$5 per year. It is open at the EOC office during regular business hours and by appointment only.

NEWS FEATURE

August 15, 1998

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Between four and five hundred classic cars came out for El Camino Night. Everything from Cadillacs to Chevies to old time BMWs strutted their stuff. Car owners say it is an excuse to be a kid again. The parade of cars cruised the entire length of Downtown Atascadero. It was a preview for the 9th Annual Atascadero Lake Car Show.

NEWS FEATURE

August 15, 1998

6,11pm 1:30

6pm

Women's accomplishments took center stage today as the 24th Annual Day with Creative Women. The crowds came to Mission Plaza to hear female musicians, browse through handicrafts and stop at information booths. One of the groups involved: The Central Coast Women's Political League says this is one way of being a creative woman is to be involved in politics, your kids, your family, your community; anything that has to do with creativity. Some women showed their creativity by participating in Middle Eastern Dancing. While others explored alternatives to traditional health care. The fair also includes booths from a number of local non-profits, and was sponsored by the Women's Resource Center.

NEWS FEATURE

August 16, 1998 6,11pm

3:10

It was a great day to spend on the water, or underwater. Now anyone can experience life under the sea by taking a cruise around Morro Bay. The glass walled boat, "Seaview" leaves the dock every hour. The vessel sails to kelp beds around the harbor and visitors can go down into the lead weighted hull for a view. The Captain says many passengers are tourist from the Central Valley or other countries. The most common sighting is the Silver-color Smelt. The Seaview normally spends winters in S. California but the owner says he plans to keep it in Morro Bay this year.

NEWS FEATURE

August 18, 1998

6 & 11pm

2:45

A San Luis Obispo woman thought the local cable company was "overcharging" its customers. Tonight the City of San Luis Obispo will decide whether or not Charter Communications formerly Sonic Cable will have to issue a 54 dollar refund to its customers. At least 2300 households may qualify for the proposed refund. This dissastified customer contacted Sonic when she noticed charges on her bill for things she had not utilized. They did not respond so she went to the city of San Luis Obispo, the city then realized the cable company was violating a Federal law.

NEWS FEATURE

August 18, 1998

5, 6 & 11

4:34

Most cities on the Central Coast are named after Spanish or Chumash origins. Today we take a look at "what's in a name"? For instance, San Luis Obispo is named after Saint Louis, Bishop of Toulouse. Arroyo Grande is spanish for "deep canyon or creek, Atascadero is Spanish for "mudhole" and Avila Beach is named after an early pioneer. Did you know most towns and cities are named after people or characteristics of that town? On the Central Coast, most come from spanish or chumash origins.

August 19, 1998

5,6,11pm

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People in charge of the San Luis Obispo Juvenile Hall are calling it a Monumental Task. The entire facility including the courtroom and living quarters has to be tented and fumigated. A routine inspection found termites in the 23,000-sq. ft. structure. The process will start on Friday. The building was built in 1981. After this, hall officials say the county will have second thoughts about using any wood products in in future structures.

NEWS FEATURE

August 19, 1998

5,6pm

Elder abuse is on the rise. That is why a luncheon was held today in Los Osos. It was held to talk about the warning signs: like physical abuse, neglect and financial abuse. Last year in SLO County alone there were more than 600-cases. Many times, the crime goes unreported because family members are involved. The luncheon was sponsored by the Senior Nutrition Program. Information about elderly abuse was sent to every homebound person in SLO County.

NEWS FEATURE

August 19, 1998 5,6pm

1:20

A central coast grocery store is lending a hand for a hands-on cause. New Frontiers Natural Foods store in San Luis Obispo is donating 5% of its total sales today to the SLO Children's Museum. The museum is non-profit and runs on donations. New Frontiers is open until nine if you are interested in helping out. It is located on the corner of Foothill and Santa Rosa St.

NEWS FEATURE

August 20, 1998

5,6,11pm

3:05

Americans have strong opinions about Monica Lewinsky. But what about the opinions of fellow interns, or those who worked similar jobs on Capitol Hill. Ann Danko is from Paso Robles. She was a White House Intern in 1976. She remembers all too wel what it was like being young in that powerful city. The city will seduce you. You can get wrapped up in the power. You get wrapped up in the glory of everything you have seen your entire life. You walk through the Capitol as a staffer. She views Lewinsky as a victim caught up in a seductive city.

NEWS FEATURE

August 20, 1998 11pm

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Six people are out of their home tonight after a fire gutted their house in Orcutt. The house was in the Tanglewood neighborhood in the City of Orcutt on the outskirts of Santa Maria. The residents inside the house called 911 when they saw flames in the bedroom. No word on the cause. The Red Cross is providing shelter and food for the six people displaced by the fire. More flames broke out in a Santa Maria neighborhood right around dinner time. It was at the dinner table that a child yelled, "FIRE!" The neighbors quickly responded. Neighbors and their garden hoses provided firefighters with the helping hand they needed to get the fire out. Two other grass fires were also reported in Santa Maria.

NEWS FEATURE

August 21, 1998

6 & 11 pm

3:10

Local celebrity, Jack Lalanne was profiled and discussed his zest for living. He and his wife Elaine tour the world, as a dynamic example of what fitness and health does for a

seventy year old. Jack was one of the pioneers of American fitness. He has constant magazine and television appearances, videos and also books. For his 60th birthday, Jack swam from Alcatraz to San Francisco. He's already planning next year's 75th birthday stunt. The couple could live anywhere in the world, but they choose Morro Bay, and consider it the "best place in the world".

NEWS FEATURE

August 21, 1998 6pm

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The Mission Plaza summer concert series has been a big success. Every Friday this summer the Downtown Association has offered a free concert for everyone to enjoy.

NEWS FEATURE

August 22, 1998

6,11pm

3:20

Local survivors of the Bataan Death March are being honored for the first time since WWII. Today, Camp San Luis Obispo unveiled a memorial to the survivors. 105 men from Salinas were among the soldiers forced to march 100 miles and spend almost 4-yrs. in a POW camp. Only 19-guardsmen are still living, and they just received their purple hearts. In many cases, the men were too ill to come back from the war and by the time they got back they were basically forgotten. The memorial is a re-creation of an army painting. It features a WWII style tank from Camp Roberts. The survivors have kept in touch since the war and have gotten together once a year, ever since.

NEWS FEATURE

August 23, 1998 11pm

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There was quite a homecoming this afternoon for a Cuesta College student on a long mission. A mission that has raised more than \$10,000.00 for diabetes research. Ryan Gallagher, 20-yrs. old, ran more than 1,700 miles from Missoula, MT to San Luis Obispo, raising money along the way. ryan has averaged 20-miles per day, six days a week since May 20, 1998.

NEWS FEATURE

August 24, 1998 11pm

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Local hospitals are battlling a new bug that could be quite dangerous. It is the Year 2000 bug and at French Hospital it is Rob Tillsher's job to make sure thousands of computers and computerized equipment won't miss a beat when the clocks turnover to the year 2000. Tillsher says critical hospital equipment won't shut down on that dreaded day, but there may be problems in record keeping. Tillsher says if computers do get confused, the cure could be new software. At most, they will have to buy new equipment which can be costly.

NEWS FEATURE

August 24, 1998

5,11pm

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Two local college students are building a brighter future, with Legos. Jack Mckeen and Jake Forbes are Lego artists. They built a display using 150,000 Legos. You can find about 40-movies in their work, from King Kong to Jurassic Park. It took the guys about three months to build their most recent display. You can see the piece of art at Tom's Toys in SLO. Their next project is to build a scale model of the Mann Chinese Theater in Hollywood.

NEWS FEATURE

August 28, 1998

11pm

Friar Kyrie is a mn who has given to others for over half a century. Tomorrow he is

being honored with a grand affair. He came to the USA from India back in the 1970's. He is a man who has lived a life duty. It is a calling not many can understand. They take three vows: Poverty, Chastity and commit to go wherever they are sent. For fifty years Fr. Kyrie has upheld these vows. He has lived a life of serving others. Fr. Kyrie say many people don't have good values anymore. A celebration is planned in his name. The Mission Church is decorated and people from all over are coming to honor him. Fr. says the love of his parish is worth all the wealth in the world. The festivities begin tomorrow with an 11 a.m. mass then a barbeque in the Mission Courtyard. 300-400 people are expected.

NEWS FEATURE

August 28, 1998 5,6,11pm

4:30

For the past few months, San Luis Obispo has seen the number of homeless kids go way up. At the EOC homeless shelter in SLO, the situation is almost at a crisis level. Last night almost half of all the available beds were filled with children, many of those were toddlers. Shelter officials say the percentage of kids has more than tripled in the past seven months. As they are quick to point out, homelessness can strike just about anyone. If you can help please contact the shelter.

NEWS FEATURE

August 28, 1998 5,11pm

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A super salsa contest is just part of the fun at this year's Grover Beach Ethnic Street Faire. The event is blended with the Stone Soup World Music Festival. To take part in the fun, head out to Ramona Gardens Park in Grover Beach, between 9th & 10th streets. Saturday and Sunday, 10 to 5. A dune run-run will start at 8 am.

NEWS FEATURE

August 28, 1998 6pm

1:40

Dave Congalton has decided to quit writing his column for SLO Daily Newspaper. He still has his show on KVEC. He was asked to stop writing about himself and his animals or leave. He left. Sandy Duerr, who let him go, has only been at the station for seven weeks. She says people want more local news not local personalities.

NEWS FEATURE

August 28, 1998 6pm

1:00

A local artist wants to decorate the downtown by creating art in public places. His name is Allen Root. He was interviewed.

NEWS FEATURE

August 28, 1998 5,6pm

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It began as a black canvas hanging in the SLO Cafe. Each night the artist removed the canvas and added life to it. Two weeks later it is a work of art. Bobby Tam introduces us to the work in progress.

NEWS FEATURE

August 28, 1998 5pm

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If you were planning to head out to Cal Poly's student orchard to pick your own fruit, you need to make other plans. Since the report on Tuesday, the order has had a huge response. So huge that there is not even anymore fruit on the trees. Don't worry, in November there will be oranges to pick and the public will be invited back.

NEWS FEATURE

August 28, 1998

6pm

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We have been reporting about the Sanchez family for a week. They are currently living at the EOC Shelter. The Sanchez family was living in a one-room shack in Oceano until the landlord boarded up the shack yesterday. Now the Sanchez's are looking for a place to live and a way to pay for it. Donations are being accepted at any Mid-StateBank branch. Make checks out to the family.

NEWS FEATURE

August 29, 1998

6pm

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A local man who has lived a lifetime of sacrifice and service has something to celebrate. Friar James Kyrie has served members of the catholic church for 50 years. Members of the San Miguel Mission Church are throwing him a party. Kyrie came to the US from India. He says giving to others is what makes life special. The barbeque began this morning after mass, over 300 people were expected.

NEWS FEATURE

August 29, 1998

6,11pm

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The Grover Beach Ethnic Street Fair is offering a lot more than food and fun this weekend. It is also a place where visitors can find out about US and Mexican citizenship. Organizers set up the fair this morning in anticipation of more than 10K people. Those interested in citizenship can also learn how to apply for dual citizenship. There is also plenty of music and food. Fair closes at six but will be open on Sunday.

NEWS FEATURE

August 29, 1998

6,11pm

3:10

This year's wet winter is delaying the grape harvest at area wineries. Vineyards report they are running three or four weeks behind schedule. The grapes are not ripe yet enough to make good wine. Vintners are blaming it on El Nino. Current predictions are the harvest will begin in mid to late September. Any rain in the early fall could spell disaster for grape growers. If it rains before harvest, sugar content goes down and the fruit could rot. Vinters say the long growing season could also improve the quality of this year's grapes. Wines made from this harvest will be available in the year 2000.

NEWS FEATURE

August 29, 1998

6, 11pm

1:36

Hundreds of young pilots found freedom in the skies off the Central Coast this weekend. Three hundred and fifty people from all over the state spent the week at Camp San Luis Obispo to train with the Civil Air Patrol. This morning the pilots took part in closing ceremonies.

NEWS FEATURE

August 31, 1998

5,6,11pm

3:35

Everyone has noticed the Adopt-a-Highway signs along the highway. What we have not noticed is that that program is quite popular. In many areas there are actually waiting lists for people to adopt a 2-mile stretch of freeway. It is all done on a volunteer basis. Companies and or individuals pay nothing and are paid nothing by the state. Barry Kaufman has been doing it since 1991. He gets a lot of support, honks and noise from drivers. There are over 6,000 miles of adopted highway in the State. It takes 120,000 volunteers to keep that stretch clean. Other highways are not on the waiting list, like Hwy. 101, 46, 58 and 1. Companies, families and individuals can adopt. Some contract out the cleaning services.

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NEWS FEATURE

August 5, 1998

11pm

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Bishop Peak Elementary School is now open again. Construction at the San Luis Obispo school was stopped and the school was sealed off last Wednesday after workers discovered toxic levels of lead in the paint. Clean up crews vacuumed the paint chips. School officials say the school will be repainted with safe paint. The renovation project should be done by the end of the month.

NEWS FEATURE

August 6, 1998

5,6,11pm

3:50

386 students from Los Angeles County are climbing the walls at Camp San Luis. They are part of the Junior ROTC program that is teaching them about teamwork. The biggest thing is to get them to overcome their fears. Only 2% of this group will actually go into the military, the rest will go to college. The course runs for one week at the camp.

NEWS FEATURE

August 10, 1998

5,6,11pm

5:15

Some 9 to 12-yrs. old children are learning how to design their own web sites. It is part of a program for gifted and talented kids. When the class is over, the kids can take their web page home on a floppy disk, and put it on the internet. This is one of the programs put on by San Luis Obispo County's Mobile Computer Lab.

NEWS FEATURE

August 13, 1998

5,6,11pm

3:35

With more and more parents hitting the workforce these days, there are many parents searching for childcare. Recent changes in welfare laws took more than 100,000 of California's families off of public aid by helping them get back to work. However, with more people on the job the need for childcare has skyrocketed. No one feels it moer than the Equal Opportunity Commission Childcare Resource Connection of San Luis Obispo County. They have very limited childcare slots in the county. They have practically run out of infant placements. Toddlers and all other ages have the same problems. The EOC Childcare Resource Connection is in desperate need of more licensed, exempt, or trustlined providers to refer to working parents. It also recruits and trains anyone interested in becoming a childcare provider. Call the EOC at 541-0127 for more information.

NEWS FEATURE

August 17, 1998

5,6,11pm

2:55

Crews at the Performing Arts Center in San Luis Obispo are standing under their work. They have to. They are installing a 15th Century spanish ceiling. The piece of art was donated to the P.A.C. long before the building was built. In fact, the building was designed around the ceiling. Workers are 30-feet up, starting the process of installing the ceiling. The whole process should take about three weeks. The cost will end up being more than \$70,000.00.

NEWS FEATURE

August 17, 1998

5,6,11pm

4:50

School begins for community college students in the North County. And they have a

brand new campus to study at. Today, the North county Cuesta College Campus opened for classes, offering almost one hundred course sections in everything from Anthropology to Sociology. Students say the campus makes learning much more convenient because they do not have to drive to San Luis Obispo. The campus is not quite finished yet, but attendance was not affected any. Registration officials say there are over 1,300 students enrolled at the school. Almost 70% of them live in the N. County area.

NEWS FEATURE

August 20, 1998 5,6,11pm 5:30

Teachers are needed on the Central Coast. Some Central Coast schools are coping with a shortage of substitute teachers. The Orcutt Union School Board voted to hire 25 more substitute teachers, even if they haven't taken the California Teaching Exam. It is the third year the district has taken such measures. Orcutt schools haved hired 40 new teachers over the past two years due to class size reduction. Many of those teachers used to be substitutes.

NEWS FEATURE

August 22, 1998 6,11pm

1:40

Gangs are a growing problem on the Central Coast and now they are the focus of a college class. Teachers, law enforcement officers and parents are learning how to recognize gangs and why kids join them. Deputy Ed Lupo of the SB County Sheriffs estimates there are several thousand gang members in SB County alone. He says recent problems come with a long history. The class will also learn about different types of gangs and how to identify gang grafitti. The class is offered at Lompoc Campus of AHC. Another session will be offered in October.

NEWS FEATURE

August 26, 1998 5,6,11pm

1:35

A C.C. High School has cancelled a program designed for students who need extra attention. Morro Bay High School administrators say the school does not have enough resources to support the AVID program. AVID is an intense four-year program offering tutors, school counselors and extra help. Some students are angry that the program was discontinued. There are 16 other schools using the AVID program on the Central Coast. Morro Bay H.S. says it will re-evaluate its decision and possibly bring the program back in the future.

NEWS FEATURE

August 26, 1998 5,6pm

1:20

Cuesta College is kicking off its final fundraising campaign for the N. County campus. The goal is \$70,000.00. If it is raised by October 7, 1998 a Paso Robles couple will match it with another \$70K. In all, the school has received some two million dollars. The campus will be dedicated on October 23, 1998.

NEWS FEATURE

August 26, 1998 5,6pm

1:00

A Central Coast school clears a major hurdle in order to offer Dual Immersion classes to students. Paso Robles School Board approved an application to grant Magnate School Status to Georgia Brown Elementary School. If the State Superintendent of Schools signs off on the application, the school will take on the status for the 1998-1999 school year. This means the school can offer English-Spanish immersion classes to all

students K-5.

NEWS FEATURE

August 26, 1998 6,11pm

3:30

Aggressive behavior on the playground can be a warning to educators that trouble lies ahead. That was the message from child development psychologist Dennis Embry. Today he told educators in Templeton that kids who act out when they are young may be heading in the wrong direction. What they know from the National Institute of Mental Health and other organizations is that behavior of the Kindergardener is hugely predictive of whether or not they will grow up to rob a Circle K or to become productive citizens. Embry is now teaching educators the Peace Leaders Philosophy. The plan is to get kids more involved in school and give them an opportunity to be praised for their works. Embry says the program works. A school in Salinas, CA reports a reduction in playground fights and an increase in attendance.

NEWS FEATURE

August 28, 1998 11pm

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A 17-yr. old from Arroyo Grande is the first hispanic student to go to Spain as a Foreign Exchange student. Emanuel Ruiz was accepted into the American Intercultural Student Exchange Program. Ruiz says the experience will do a lot for him. He is part of the AVID program; an intensive tutoring program that helps students who need extra attention. Ruiz was chosen based on his GPA and letters of recommendation.

NEWS FEATURE

August 31, 1998 5,6,11pm

6:40

Some Central Coast students picked a hot day to head back to the classroom. Those going to class in the Templeton School District will find a safer environment. The district has installed a new alarm system. The system locks down the school when there is danger outside. A threat like a hazardous chemical spill, a dangerous odor or gunfire. Installation of the system stems from this year's shooting in a school in Jonesboro, AK. The kids there pulled the fire alarm to get the kids out of the school, that troubled officials. Shelter-in-Place would be a special bell that would tell the kids to remain in their class and not to go outside. The district has also modified some alarms. A plastic cover must be removed from the local alarm before the real alarm can be triggered.

NEWS FEATURE

August 31, 1998 5,6,11pm

3:15

Drivers need to beware in School Zones. The Paso Robles PD and the CHP have teamed up. The beefed-up patrol is to keep students safe on their way to and from school. Officers will be stopping cars for all traffic violations. Some drivers get warnings. Others will get citations. It is an effort to remind drivers that school is back in session. Officers recommend leaving a few minutes earlier to avoid rushing.

FCC REPORTS HEALTH CONCERNS AUGUST 1998

NEWS FEATURE

August 3, 1998

5,6,11pm

4:14

In Lompoc a nine year old boy is battling a "rare" life threatening disease. One that takes a "bone marrow transplant" to save his life. Lompoc residents want to make sure a donor is found. It was just a month ago that doctors diagnosed him with a condition called "aplastic anemia". This means David's bone marrow isn't making any red blood cells, white blood cells or platelets. He is taking an arsenal of medicines and frequent blood and platelet transfusions to fight the disease. If he doesn't show improvement in six to nine months he'll need a bone marrow transplant. At this time they have not found a suitable match for David. If the public would like to help, they can see their doctor about getting a bone marrow test.

NEWS FEATURE

August 3, 1998

5,6pm

2:06

With so many mergers going on among grocery and drug stores, many wonder if the independent store is a dying breed. There is still one old fashioned style pharmacy still in existence in downtown Arroyo Grande. The store offers unique services, like this called 'compounding', it's the mixing of drugs to combine medications or make them easier to take. Another bonus is that after major chains drop discontinued products, compounding pharmacists like Chuck Brooner of Fair Oaks Pharmacy in Arroyo Grande, can still provide the service for you. Chuck estimates that there are only about ten pharmacists on the entire Central Coast who can do compounding.

NEWS FEATURE

August 3, 1998

5pm

1:05

Another environmental hazard along the Central Coast. Health officials confirm some 35,000 gallons of raw sewage spilled out of a sewage facility, into a creek and ended up in the ocean. The spill happened at the wastewater treatment plant at Port San Luis. The closest beach-port beach was closed due to possible contamination. Water samples will determine how long port beach will be closed.

NEWS FEATURE

August 6, 1998

5,6,11pm

5:00

The Central Coast is surrounded by farm fields and agriculture. Doctors are now trying to understand more about the pesticides were exposed to. It is part of the Central Coast Health Project. Organizers say people don't know enough about pesticides. Even though they are commonly used in our areas. Not all doctors are trained to recognize the side effects of those chemicals. The program is being organized by Eco Slo, the Environmental Defense Center and CRLA. Together, those groups received 2/3 of a Million Dollars to educate the public about pesticide use.

NEWS FEATURE

August 10, 1998

5,6pm

:45

More health problems at SLO's only public pool. This weekend, health officials closed Sinsheimer Pool for the second time in a week. On Sunday afternoon, fecal matter was found in the water. This is the second time someone has defacated in the pool, forcing it to close. Pool workers replaced the water. The pool was re-opened this morning.

NEWS FEATURE

August 10, 1998

6pm

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After 8-yrs, the President and Publisher of the Telegram-Tribune announces she is moving on. Julia Aquilar confirms she is taking a job at Scripps in Cincinatti. Ohio. She will still be working in journalism as the Director of Training and Development. Her husband, Art, is owner of San Luis Personnel and will make the move as well. He will keep the business in SLO coming back one day a month. Aguilar will be replaced by Harold Higgins from Boulder, Colorado. Advertising Director Butch Hughes is also leaving the paper. He is taking a job at Scripps in Indiana.

NEWS FEATURE

August 10, 1998

5.6pm 2:15

Cats and kittens are packed in tight to the North County Humane Society, creating a feline frenzy. Almost 90 need homes and about 20 in foster homes keep coming. It costs near \$100K to keep the humane society running and that is all donations. Even with all the donations though, the animals still need homes in the long run.

NEWS FEATURE

August 17, 1998 5.6pm

2:00

A three-day crusade against breast cancer that starts people walking in Santa Barbara and ending in Malibu. A local lady will be taking the massive walk. Terri Hansen found a cancerous breast lump in her body in February of this year. She conquered that challenge and is now ready to conquer the challenge of this walk. She will be one of 2,700 raising money and raising awareness.

NEWS FEATURE

August 17, 1998

2:45

It is the gift of life that the San Luis Obispo County Sheriff's Aero-Squadron is giving tonight as they fligh high. The group can also boast about another succesful mission. Last night, a kidney transplant patient got the call that a kidney was ready and waiting in San Francisco. The Aero-Squadron went into action, with volunteer pilots and copilots, arriving at the SLO Airport in 30-minutes after the call. Kenneth Trap underwent a successful kidney transplant this morning. He is in stable condition tonight at UCSF Medical Center.

NEWS FEATURE

August 17, 1998

5,6,11pm

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6:05

Can pesticides be linked to health problems? People of Lompoc have been asking that question for six years. A pesticide study launched today could have some answers. This morning, State Dept. of Pesticide Regulation and Air Resource Board set up machines to monitor pesticide levels in the air. The study will measure the levels of twelve commonly used pesticides and 30 metals. The devices have been used in Ventura and Monterey Counties. The study will test levels at five locations around the city for the next four weeks. A complete report of the findings will be available next sprina.

NEWS FEATURE

August 26, 1998

5,6,11pm

7:00

Last night a family of eight who lived in a one-room shack in Oceano was shown on the news. Today we have more. Only a fence separates dozens of roosters from a home rented by the Velasquez family. They say they do not know why their landlord keeps the chickens in their backyard. Waking to roosters in the city is not normal. She thinks it is against the law or not right for the chickens to be there, and she is right, according to SLO County law. This week investigators took a close look at the property and concluded it violates county law. In a multiple family zone such as this one, you can only have household pets. The raising and keeping of chickens and roosters and such is prohibited by county code. It is up to the owners of the property to clear the roosters from the backyard. If the coops are not gone in 30-days, those who guard the henhouse will be held responsible.

NEWS FEATURE

August 27, 1998 5pm

1:59

It is an FDA research project, that's helping people understand sounds without their hearing aids. One local woman, Judy Wallis, has lost eighty percent of her hearing in the last seven years due to nerve damage. She has learned to live with it and hearing aids but recently she was selected to undergo an experimental procedure, an ear implant. The three hour surgery was done eight weeks ago and is a small device implanted behind the patient's ear vibrates tine bones, that vibration is amplified to increase sound sensitivity. After receiving the implant, Judy couldn't believe how much better her hearing was! The implant stays in for life without most of the negative side affects of hearing aids. For more information on the study, call 1-800-833-7733.

FCC REPORTS GOVERNMENT/LOCAL & STATE AUGUST 1998

NEWS FEATURE

August 7, 1998

5,6,11pm

6:00

Gov. Wilson appoints planning commissioner Joni Gray to a seat on the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors. Gray was sworn in this morning by Judge Tim Staffel. Just last week Staffel left the Board to join the Courts. Gray's appointment will only run until January. She spent the day gathering signatures to get her name on the November ballot. Lompoc Mayor Joyce Howerton is also running for the 4th District Supervisor seat. She turned her petitions in this morning. The winner in November will sit on the Board until the year 2000.

NEWS FEATURE

August 10, 1998 11pm

2:00

Santa Maria city officials faced a surprise challenge tonight when dozens of people walked out on the police department's town hall meeting. The police held the meeting to focus on criminal activity and concerns in local neighborhoods. Instead, officers faced a group of residents that wanted answers about an officer-involved shooting. The meeting started with a small crowd who wanted to talk about the shooting of Dwaine Sanchez. SMPD Chief Dan Shriner was determined to keep the meeting focused solely on neighborhood issues. Shiner said that two pending civil suits in the case have resulted in a gag order for the police dept. When the crowd discovered that he would not talk, they decided to walk and left the auditorium early, leaving it nearly empty. Members of the community say they are still looking for answers. Sanchez supporters say that justice was not served; "I do not care what drugs he had on him, he did not deserve to get shot and brutally killed the way he did. Police dept. says there will be future public meetings to address the concerns over the death of Sanchez.

NEWS FEATURE

August 10, 1998

5,6pm

1:00

The SLO County Health Commission is getting down and dirty. It is holding a meeting tonight to talk about bio-solids, the by-product of treated waste-water. Last month there was a plan to truck bio-solids from SLO to San Miguel, but neighbors fought and won. Their victory was to send the bio-solids to Kern County. Tonight, the Health Commission is expected to form a task force to study the issue.

NEWS FEATURE

August 10, 1998

5,6,11pm

4:20

A million-dollar project is causing a lot of headaches in Atascadero. The city hired a private contractor to build a drainage system along Morro Rd. and Hwy. 41. The project is months behind schedule, and today, workers did not show up because of payroll problems within the company. Business owners cannot help but be impacted by the huge ditch and the mess it creates. They are trying to dig their businesses out of the construction nightmare. They are being disturbed by all the heavy equipment needed for the work, that sit idle, and cannot wait for the project to end.

NEWS FEATURE

August 11, 1998

11pm

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Safety on college campuses is a major concern, especially after Cal Poly student, Kristin

Smart, disappeared more than two years ago. Now, there is a new law to tighten security on state campuses across California. Governor Wilson signed the Kristin Smart Campus Safety Act, officially making it a law. The law forces local police agencies to enter into a written agreement with campus security. Together, the departments must decide how violent crimes on campuses will be investigated. The document will become public record. Any parent or student will be able to review campus security policies before deciding which college to attend. The law stems from Smart's disappearance.

NEWS FEATURE

August 11, 1998 11pm

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After 31-yrs. on the Santa Maria police force, Chief Dan Shiner is stepping down and moving on. Shiner's departure comes as tensions in the community mount. Last night, angry residents walked out of a town meeting when police refused to discuss the shooting of Sanchez. Shiner says he is leaving the department for personal reasons, and not challenges facing the department. After six years, the SMPD Chief is taking another job in Lancaster, TX as police chief. An interim chief will be appointed at the next City Council meeting.

NEWS FEATURE

August 11, 1998 11pm

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The SB law that keeps abortion protesters away from medical buildings does not violate free speech. That is according to a federal appeals court in SF today. The 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals upheld a lower court decision allowing "neutral" buffer zones. The law has a fixed 8-ft. buffer zone near health clinics and places of worship. It also includes a floating buffer that keeps demonstrators eight feet away from other people if asked.

NEWS FEATURE

August 13, 1998 5,6,11pm

4:40

There is still a lot of frayed nerves in Avila Beach. Residents in that community dtill do not know how if their Unocal cleanup will be delayed. Yesterday, the Coastal Commission called for changes in the work permit. The conditions make the oil giant more accountable during excavation. Things that did not have to go before the Commission previously now have to go before them. The commission is expected to approve the changes. With that approval, the work can begin on schedule next month.

NEWS FEATURE

August 13, 1998 5,6pm

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Local residents discussed how to fix social security today at a forum sponsored by Congresswoman Capps. The audience and panelists looked at ways to fix the program that turns 60-yrs. old this week. Some sort of reform appears likely in Congress. Several bills are pending. This year a number of town hall meetings like this are focusing on the issue.

NEWS FEATURE

August 20, 1998 5,6,11pm

5:00

To visit the San Luis Obispo County Sheriff's Dept. seems the same. The name of the door still says Sheriff Ed Williams, but his office is empty. His job is being done by the man across the hall, Sheriff Nick Marquart. He is 52-yrs. old and for the next 4½ he is the Sheriff of San Luis Obispo County.

NEWS FEATURE

August 23, 1998

6,11pm

3:50

Speaker of the House, Newt Gingrich, made a stop in Santa Maria today. Gingrich led a rally for congressional candidate Tom Bordonaro and used the event to tap into recent controversy surrounding President Clinton to draw support for Bordonaro, Dan Lungren and Senate Candidate Gordon Klemm. More than 500-people attended the rally. Bordonaro estimates \$75,000.00 was raised for the campaign.

NEWS FEATURE

August 24,1998

5,6,11pm

1:30

Speaker of the House, Newt Gingrich, was in Santa Maria yesterday leading a rally for congressional candidate Tom Bordonaro. Gingrich focused on the Republican Party's role in balancing the budget and only briefly touched on the scandal surrounding President Clinton. More than 500-people attended the rally which raised an estimated \$75,000.00 for Bordonaro's campaign.

NEWS FEATURE

August 24, 1998

6,11pm

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Los Osos residents have until tomorrow to decide what they will do with flood water. Measure E-98 is asking Los Osos property owners to pay \$16.00 per year. The money will help maintain operating costs for drainage equipment. Currently there are no funds. If you are a registered voter in Los Osos you have until tomorrow to return your ballot.

NEWS FEATURE

August 26, 1998

5,6pm

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Flooding may soon be a thing of the past in Los Osos. Voters passed measure E-98. That measure created a fund to operate drainage equipment. 77% voted in favor of the measure. 23% voted against it. This means that property owners will now pay a \$16.00 a year fee.

NEWS FEATURE

August 28, 1998

5,6,11pm

3:15

They are packing up and moving out, and termites are to blame. People, plastice, you name it, almost everything has to be out of the juvenile services center in SLO before fumigation can begin. The entire 23,000 sq.-ft. facility, including the courtroom and living quarters will be tented for the next four days. Some of the minors will stay at the county jail for the next few days. Others will be electronically monitored. The girls will get to go to group homes. The building itself will be tented tomorrow. Everyone should be back in on Tuesday.

NEWS FEATURE

August 28, 1998

5,6,**11**pm

3:00

Hopes were high yesterday that a solution was on the way to fund the controversial Los Osos sewer project. But early this morning, that funding option was defeated. The state legislature was considering a \$1.6 Billion water bond for the November ballot. That bond included at least \$35 Million for the Los Osos sewer. It was defeated 18 to 9 in the State Senate.

NEWS FEATURE

August 28, 1998

5pm

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A rocket explosion at Cape Canaveral has prompted Vandenberg AFB to postpone its own launch. Boeing's newest rocket, the Delta 3, exploded during lift-off on Wednesday. Vandenberg was set to launch a Delta 2 rocket Tuesday, but they say the earliest that

could happen would be Friday. The rocket, which is similar to the Delta 2, carries double the payload.

NEWS FEATURE

August 29, 1998 6,11pm 2:00

SLO County Juvenile Hall is lliterally under wraps. The entire 300K sq. ft. building has been tented for fumigation. Inspectors recently discovered a termite problem inside the walls. It is the first time in the building's 17-year history that it has been completely emptied. The doors are usually locked but are now open. Juveniles have moved somewhere else. They will be back soon.

FCC REPORTS IMMIGRATION AUGUST 1998

NEWS FEATURE

6, 11pm

3:05

These days, the process of becoming a citizen can be both confusing and full of delays. This weekend a group of Central Coast residents helped clear the confusion and delays that come with applying for citizenship. A goup called "Promotas Communitarias" set up a booth at the Grover Beach ethnic street fair. Volunteers are trained to help peole fill out complicated forms for U.S. citizenship. They believe immigrants need to become citizens to ensure a better life. A mexican consul was also on hand to help people apply for dual citizenship with Mexico. Since March, Mexico has allowed former nationals and their children to reinstate their citizenship.

FCC REPORTS NATURAL DISASTERS/SAFTEY AUGUST 1998

NEWS FEATURE

August 1, 1998

11pm

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A father who jumped in to rescue his two daughters was not so lucky. State Park Rangers sayt Yousef Zakaria, 51-yrs. old of Lancaster, rescued one of his daughters near the Pier Ave. entrance to the Oceano Dunes Vehicle Park. However, he collapsed after trying to rescue the second one. He was later pronounced dead at Arroyo Grande Hospital. Neither of the two girls was seriously injured.

NEWS FEATURE

August 1, 1998

6,11pm

1:05

Two children had a dangerous visit to the Central Coast. The kids were playing in the water off of Pismo Beach when they became caught in a rip current. It occurred around 1:00 pm. The kids spent almost 15-minutes fighting the dangerous current to get back to shore. Fortunately, they both did. The children were treated for mild hypothermia at a local hospital. The kids were visiting with a group from Fresno.

NEWS FEATURE

August 4, 1998

5,6pm

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A crash ends in death for James Miller Epps, a 63-yr. old San Luis Obispo man. He was driving north on Hwy. 1 when his truck veered across the SB lanes and into a small tree. It happened yesterday afternoon. A Sheriff's deputy attempted CPR, but Epps was in full cardiac arrest and could not be saved.

NEWS FEATURE

August 4, 1998

5,6pm

1:00

A traffic accident sends 10-teenagers to local hospitals. It happened on Hwy. 101 near Templeton late last night. A Suburban speeding at 65-mph drifted into the center divider. The driver tried to correct the problem but over-corrected and forced the truck to roll over many times. The jaws of life were needed to free one young girl from the crushed vehicle. All the teens suffered moderate to minor injuries.

NEWS FEATURE

August 5, 1998

5, 6 & 11pm

5:32

Ten local teenagers are involved in a rollover accident that happened along Highway 101 near Atascadero on Tuesday night. Initially all ten were sent to the hospital, since then seven have been released with three remaining, one is in critical condition. Tonight, friends and families pray for the other three. Tara Olson still remains unconscious in the intensive care unit. According to the victims, Tara was one of the few people wearing her seatbelt. Most of the teens admit they did not have theirs fastened. Investigators are still trying to determine what caused the accident and have scheduled a vehicle inspection for this Friday.

NEWS FEATURE

August 7, 1998

5,6,11pm

3:00

There was a tragedy at Oceano Dunes today. A German tourist has drwoned after being swept out by the riptides about 3:00 pm. Park rangers noticed a man struggling in the water. By the time the lifeguards could get to him it was too late. The 61-yr. old man was travelling with his 17-yr. old granddaughter. Authorities are taking care of the

teenage girl until her relatives arrive.

NEWS FEATURE

August 8,1998

6pm

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The Central Coast nearly lost a piece of history today after a fire erupts at a church in Paso Robles. The blaze started before 5:30 am today at the Plymouth Congregational Church. Firefighters put the fire out in just 24-minutes, but not before it caused an estimated \$12,000.00 in damage. The fire was apparently started by a floor furnace in the library.

NEWS FEATURE

August 10, 1998

5,6,11pm

4:00

Rip currents along the central coast are worse than ever, thank to El Nino. This year, lifeguards at Pismo Beach have rescued 148 people. That is compared to only 23 saves last year. Lifeguards say swimmers do not realize how dangerous the water is. As a result, they have to watch the ocean more because of it. Lifeguards say if you are caught in a rip current it is best not to follow the traditional advice and swim parallel to the shore. Instead, talk to a lifeguard before entering the ater to find out where the currents are and then you can avoid them.

NEWS FEATURE

August 12, 1998

11pm

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A border patrol chase on the Central Coast ends in tragedy. It happened this morning on Hwy. 1 outside of Orcutt when a border patrol vehicle attempted to make a traffic stop on a farm labor bus. When the bus pulled over, a 31-yr old male ran from the vehicle, and into oncoming traffic. A similar accident near Paso Robles recently took the life of another man, leading to a staged protest nine days ago at the border patrol offices in SLO.

NEWS FEATURE

August 12, 1998 5,6pm

Some local people are keeping an eye on earthquakes, even though they hit in N. California. Local emergency officials tell us aftershocks could affect the Central Coast, if they are big enough. The risk for aftershocks last for the next week or so. Though there is no immediate danger, we are told today's earthquake should serve as a reminder, to be prepared in case of an earthquake. Officials say we should be prepared.

NEWS FEATURE

August 12, 1998 5,6pm :45

We are in the middle of fire season, so you have to be careful out there. Starting this Friday at the Los Padres National Forest, no open fires will be allowed. Portable camps stoves and lanterns are still okay. No smoking will be allowed, except in certain areas. Restrictions will stay in effect until the end of fire season, usually in late fall.

NEWS FEATURE

August 12, 1998

6,11pm

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According to SLO Sheriff's Dept. watch commander, a woman has fallen off of a boat and is missing. The California Dept. of Forestry is on the scene and the dive team is being organized. The woman was found alive, she swam home.

NEWS FEATURE

August 15, 1998

6,11pm

3:00

With a summer full of treacherous conditions, the Coast Guard is teaming up with the

other Ocean Rescue Teams to put their skills to the test. They set up a practice rescue at Cayucos Beach this morning. 5-volunteers stationed themselves in the water and waited for the rescuers to get them. The Coast Guard responds to many emergencies on the sea, but often, several agencies are called to an incident. Last year, the Cayucos Fire Dept. started its own surf rescue team. They have already saved 15-people since they started and hope today's training will help them continue that trend.

NEWS FEATURE

August 17, 1998

6,11pm 1:00

A Santa Maria farm is being sued over a propane tank explosion that killed one man and injured two others. The lawsuit alleges Teixeira Farms hid the fact that tanks brought to Steppen Recycling still contained propane. Those tanks are believed to have sparked the deadly explosion in May. The suit is being filed on behalf of survivors Luis Chavez and Celerino Diaz and their families. Steppen Enterprises was not named in the suit.

NEWS FEATURE

August 24, 1998 11pm

2:10

Tonight, Herman Delfin is a hero in the eyes of one Santa Maria family. Yesterday, his bravery saved a wife and mother from the surf at Oceano State Park. Playing in the Pacific is nothing out of the ordinary on the Central Coast, but for Herman it became an extraordinary battle when his family friend went into a seizure. 21-yr. old Tracy Meraz may not remember much, but the fifth grader who rescued her will fill her in. Park rangers say it was Herman's ability to stay calm that saved Tracy's life. He found her underwater and pulled her up, kept her head above water, kept her from ingesting water and dragged her 200-ft. to shore. This mother of four knows who she will be thanking for years. Tracy is home now and says she will be fine.

NEWS FEATURE

August 26, 1998

1:00

A home-made rocket lands in a yard in Grover Beach and explodes in a 7-yr. old girl's face today when she moves in for a closer look. Police say the girl's face was cut by a piece of metal. Now they are looking for the suspects. The device is described as a home-made pipe bomb with a launching device. This is not the first report of a rocket being launched in the area. Police may have received as many as 24-reports since early June. This is the first time that someone was injured. If you have any information about this incident, call the Grover Beach P.D.

NEWS FEATURE

August 28, 1998

1:00

An oil slick the size of a football field in the ocean off of Anacapa was not caused by a passing ship. It was an earthquake. Coast Guard officials say the slick resulted from crude oil seeping out of the earth. The oil was released by a 1.9 earthquake that occured early Tuesday morning. Anacapa is 10-miles south of Oxnard, CA.

NEWS FEATURE

August 31, 1998

5,6,11pm

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A fire broke out in an egg warehouse in Santa Maria. A storage shed containing egg crates was destroyed at the Rosemary Egg Farm. Eight people were treated for smoke inhalation. As for the cause...firefighters say a worker trying to burn weeds around the building accidentally started the blaze. Damage is estimated at \$100K.

NEWS FEATURE

August 31, 1998 6,11

6,11pm

1:00

A Los Osos woman is dead tonight following a single car accident on Hwy. 1. It happened at 5:20 this evening just north of Kansas Ave. The CHP says the woman was a passenger in a Pontiac Fiero that abruptly ran off the road after changing lanes. The car barreled through a sign before striking his tree. Jeremy Selby, 26-yr. old, was driving the vehicle and sustained minor injuries. The 34-yr. old woman traveling with him died later at Sierra Vista Medical Center. Her name has not been released. The cause of the accident is under investigation.

CRIME SEPTEMBER 1998 FCC REPORTS

NEWS FEATURE

September 1, 1998

5,6,11pm

2:50

Phony money is makin its way around San Luis Obispo. Here is one of the counterfeit twenties, compared to a real twenty. Here are the difference between the two: the counterfeit does not contain the polyester strip embedded in real money. The printing around the portrait is hard to read and something looks blurry and fuzzy. First Bank of SLO was the first to spot the funny money. They are fairly concerned because they have received so many this month. They have not received five in the last five years but received five this month. To ensure money in your pocket is the real thing, the best thing is a counterfeit detecting pen. You can buy one at any office supply company. A mark on the fake bill will make the ink turn brown. Also, the fake twenty bears the same serial number, L29070757F.

NEWS FEATURE

September 3, 1998

5,6,11pm

1:20

Paso Robles police tell us a 17-yr. old shooting suspect has now been caught. The teenager was arrested in Riverside on Tuesday. Police think that suspect and 19-yr. old Marcus Rostro got into an argument with Manuel Anguiano last month. Police say that minutes later the pair drove by Anguiano and shot him. Rostro is still on the loose. He is thought to be armed and dangerous.

NEWS FEATURE September 4, 1998 6,11pm 3:00 It was more than two weeks ago that State Agents raided an Arroyo Grande Dentist's office. Tonight we have more information as to what those agents were looking for. A State report alleges that Dr. Greg Hauser engaged in a scheme of defrauding the Dentical program by receiving payment for false and fraudulent claims. It was on 8/19 that investigators seized patient records and files from the Doctor's office. The investigation found that Dr. Hauser allegedly billed the fund for fillings, when he was only providing less expensive sealants. The report also charges that Hauser billed Denti-cal for services that were not rendered. Dr. Hauser is a periodontist that treats children. He has not been charged with any crimes thus far.

NEWS FEATURE September 5, 1998 6,11pm :45
Labor day weekend often involved travelling and celebrations with alcoholic beverages.
That is why the DUI Task Force spent the morning at Lopez Lake handing out flyers about the dangers of drinking and driving. They are also reminding people not to boat or waterski under the influence. The crash test dummies and the McjGruff Crime Dog were on hand to give kids at the lake a Labor Day greeting.

NEWS FEATURE September 5, 1998 6,11pm 3:40
If all goes as planned, the historic excavation of Avila Beach could begin by the end of this month. Some residents of Avila Beach spent their Saturday morning protesting the eviction notices. About 20-people marched down Front St. carrying picket signs against

Unocal. Two weeks ago, renters at Avila Beach Trailer Park received eviction notices from their landlord. They need to find new homes by 9/17. Many feel the short notice is unfair and they want compensation. Some are concerned that the property will become a Unocal Executive retiree beach. A letter from the landlord says they have agreed to turn over the property to Unocal. Unocal and the trailer park owners were unavailable for comment today.

NEWS FEATURE September 8, 1998 11pm :30 In a local case the defense will now get its turn. Today five lawyers begin to tell their side. One attorney for each of the five men accused of killiling a Paso Robles man. Raul Masqueda, 25-yrs. old was stabbed to death in April. All five defendants are charged with murder and conspiracy to commit murder. The case is expected to be turned over to the jury later thismonth. If found guilty, the suspects face 25-yrs. to life behind bars.

NEWS FEATURE September 9,1998 5 & 6 pm 1:06 Mark James Meiberyer was arraigned today, the Cayucos man faces vehicular manslaughter charges, after a June 30th traffic accident that killed an eleven year old boy. He pled not guilty to the charges. If convicted he faces a maximum year in county jail. His trial begins October 5th.

NEWS FEATURE September 9, 1998 6 & 11pm :51 There's a \$300 reward for information on who's been setting off rockets in Grover Beach. Since the beginning of July there have been 30 incidents. The latest happened just last week in the 600 block of Rockway. Not long ago one of those rockets struck a child. If you have any information, please call Crime Stoppers at 549-STOP.

NEWS FEATURE September 10, 1998 6,11pm 2:40
After a 15-minute chase, Pismo and Grover Beach catch a man accused of kidnapping and armed robbery. Michael Myers allegedly kidnapped a 63-yr. old man from Grover Beach last Tuesday night. Took him to an ATM, threatened him with a large flashlight and demanded he withdraw his savings and hand it over. Myers was holed up in a motel in Pismo for two days. Police flushed him out after receiving a tip. It took nearly 12-officers and a wild chase through a creek bed before he was caught. You never know the person you are chasing. They considered him armed and dangerous. Kidnapping and armed robbery are obviously dangerous crimes. Myers is currently on probation for grand theft. If he is convicted of the charges he could be looking at 25-yrs. to life in prison under the three strikes rule.

NEWS FEATURE September 10, 1998 5,6,11pm 8:00 As reported earlier this week, the Household Referral Agency (HRA) received desist and refrain papers. Action news has learned the agency is still doing business and customers are still signing up. Charan Kirpalani and his roommate read an ad in the paper for HRA. They called the SLO office on Wednesday. Charan's roommate gave the company her credit card number to pay for the service. A day after the company had been order to desist and refrain from operations. Gray Sackett, owner of HRA, says it is legal for them to stay open because they are now taking payment after customers

receive services. Sackett also says the company did send in a check for a pre-paid rental listing license. The Dept. of Real Estate confirms that, but says the company has not filled out the right papers and are still not licensed. The DA must now decide to file misdemeanor charges or not.

NEWS FEATURE September 11, 1998 5,6pm 4:10 Household Referral Agency (HRA) is still doing business three days after the State ordered it to stop. The rental service is under investigation for customer complaints and operating without a license. We are finding out they can stay open for a year since the DA cannot do anything until they receive evidence from the Dept. of Real Estate. Until then they can stay in business. HRA's office is still open.

NEWS FEATURE September 14, 1998 5 :25
An Atascadero teen has admitted to robbing and killing a San Francisco businessman.
Josh Puckett, 18-yrs. old, was on trial in Contra Costa County charged with killing Vitaly Poliakov, 29-yrs. old, then dumping his body in a creek in Atascadero during a hearing on Friday. Puckett plead guilty to voluntary manslaughter and burglary. Puckett was sentenced to 10-yrs. and 8-mos. in prison.

NEWS FEATURE September 15, 1998 11pm :30
The FBI needs help. At approximately 4:20 p.m. the Bank of America Branch in Paso Robles was robbed. Witnesses say the robber entered the bank and demanded large bills. Police are searching for a caucasian man in his late twenties. The suspect is around 6-ft. tall with think build and brown hair. He is described as wearing round sunglasses, a long sleeve denim shirt, tan pants and a dark belt. The Paso Robles PD and FBI ask if you have any information to please contact them.

NEWS FEATURE September 16, 1998 5,6pm 1:10
The FBI needs your help. The Bank of America in Paso Robles was robbed late yesterday afternoon. Witnesses say the robber entered the bank and demanded large bills. Police are searching for a white male in his late twenties, around six feet tall. He was thin with brown hair. He wore round sunglasses. The Paso Robles police dept. ask that you contact the FBI with any information.

NEWS FEATURE September 17, 1998 11pm :25
A wild car chase through downtown Santa Barbara kept police busy. A man driving a green Ford was stopped by UCSB police, but then he took off driving about ten miles. First he went on the freeway and then through a quiet residential neighborhood. The chase ended on Salinas St. when the driver finally crashed into a truch and was cornered by the police. Neither the suspect nor the man in the truck was injured.

NEWS FEATURE September 17, 1998 5,6,11pm 2:00 She is accused of sending Cyanide through the mail, now she is accused of trying to escape. Kathryn Schoonover has cancer. She is being held at White Memorial Medical Center in East L.A. Earlier this week, authorities say she slipped out of her hospital restraints, got passed the guard and took the elevator to the lobby. An alarm went off

at the front door and she was re-captured. Next week Schoonover will be formally charged with mailing Cyanide, disguised as a nutritional supplement.

NEWS FEATURE September 17, 1998 5,6,11pm 5:20 The fate of five men accused of murdering Raul Masqueda, 25-yrs. old, is in the hands of the jury. Sergio Ortiz, Oscar Garcia, Greg Vived, Monte Weatherington and David Rey are accused of plotting to attack Masqueda on behalf of the Paso 13 Gang. Masqueda was stabbed to death in Paso Robles in April. After 7 weeks of testimony, trial attorneys presented closing arguments. The jury must now decide the guilt or innocence of the defendants. Attorneys say that because of the length of the trial it may take them some time to deliberate. If they are found guilty, they could be sentenced to 25 years to life behind bars, plus additional time for gang enhancement charges.

NEWS FEATURE September 19, 1998 11pm :40
Police are investigating three separate armed robberies along the Central Coast. Just before six o'clock last night, a man robbed the World Savings and Loan Bank in Santa Maria using a silver semi-automatic gun. Shortly afterward, a man used a similar weapon to rob the Sea Gypsy Motel in Pismo Beach. Later, a man with a matching description attempted to rob a San Luis Obispo Shell gas station. The suspect is a white man, mid 30's, six-feet tall, 200-lbs. He has short dark hair, brown eyes and was clean shaven. Contact the SMPD if you have any information.

NEWS FEATURE September 20, 1998 6pm :30 A methamphetamine bust in Nipomo sends 9-people to jail and nabs \$36,000 worth of the drug. An undercover investigator bought the drugs from a house on Tefft St. in Nipomo. A 2-month investigation turned up drugs, guns and evidence of sales at the home; plus more drugs at a nearby auto salvage yard. Nine people face charges stemming from the investigation. The bust is a joint effort between various narcotics agencies in SB and SLO Counties.

NEWS FEATURE September 21, 1998 11pm :20
Police continue to investigate a bank robbery in Santa Maria. A gunman took money from the World Savings and Loan Bank on Friday. A picture of who the police are looking for was shown. He is described as being six feet tall, dark brown hair and eyes. he is about 200-lbs. The suspect was reportedly using a silver sem-automatic gun.

NEWS FEATURE September 21, 1998 5,6,11pm 3:25
The case of a gang killing in Paso Robles is almost over. Earlier tonight jurors handed down GUILTY verdicts in the murder trial of five Paso Robles men. The jury decided all five did the killing, now all five will pay the price. Raul Masqueda was beaten up and stabbed to death on an April night in his apartment in Paso Robles. On Monday, a jury of men and women found five men guilty of the crime. Eyewitnesses played a key role in the long trial. In exchange for immunity, a witness provided key testimony against the five suspects. Along with the 2nd degree murder charges, jurors concluded the killing was partly gang related, carried out on behalf of the Paso 13 gang. Jurors agreed that three of the defendants; Sergio Ortiz, Oscar Garcia and David Rey committed the crime

as part of a street gang. The jury did not believe that was the case with the other two men. This means they will serve lighter sentences. Sentencing is scheduled for October. None of the defendants showed any outward emotions as the verdicts were being read. Family say they are shocked and angry at the five guilty verdicts. Defense attorneys pledge to appeal.

NEWS FEATURE September 21, 1998 5,6,11pm 2:40
A SLO County Judge sends a strong message in a Workmen's Compensation Case. Judge Picquet ordered Thomas Webb to spend six months in jail and the next five years on probation. Webb was found guilty of insurance fraud. After an investigator shot a video of Webb working as a fisherman after he claimed to have a work-related back injury. The fraud was discovered when a doctor tipped off Webb's insurance company. The investigator handling the case says the sentence should send a message: that this type of fraudulent activity will not be tolerated. Workers comp is for legal employees that are injured. Webb was convicted of three felony counts of perjury, grand theft and insurance fraud. Neither he nor his attorney wanted to talk about the case today.

NEWS FEATURE September 22, 1998 11pm :32

Police have released a composite sketch of a man believed to have robbed the McDonald's on Madonna Road back in August. The suspect is believed to be a hispanic male between the age of 22 and 35. According to eye witnesses, the man entered the restaurant at about one am on August 30th. If you have any information, please call the San Luis Obispo Police Department, 781-7333.

NEWS FEATURE September 22, 1998 11pm 1:30 SB Police are looking for a suspected rapist tonight. Police are investigating a sexual assault in Isla Vista. A female returned home Saturday around midnight. Her roommates said they checked on her repeatedly, but two hours later they discovered a male suspect sexually assaulting the victim in her bedroom. The man fled, by foot, through an open window. Now, the SB Police feel this may be the same suspect involved in a similar attack last May. That assault occurred at a sorority house in Isla Vista.

NEWS FEATURE September 22, 1998 11pm 1:30
A string of armed robberies has local police departments searching for clues. In the past week, three area businesses; a bank, a motel and a service station have been robbed by a gunman with the same description. The similarities make police wonder if the gunman will strike again. A picture of the suspect was received from a surveillance camera outside the Bank of Santa Maria. The gunman used a silver weapon to commit the robberies and a description of him was provided.

NEWS FEATURE September 23, 1998 6,11pm 1:00
A man serving a life sentence for the 1976 kidnapping of children in a Chowchilla school bus goes before the parole board in SLO today. Richard Schoenfeld appeared before the Board at the California Men's Colony. Schoenfeld took the school bus and buried it with the kids inside in a botched ransom case. The Board denied his parole today. They said the gravity of the offense warrants a longer stay behind bars. Schoenfeld will

be eligible for parole again in one year.

NEWS FEATURE September 24, 1998 5,6pm :50

The women arrested for mailing cyanide disguised as a nutritional supplement gets a break in court. The Federal Judge grants a 90-day delay in prosecution proceedings. Kathryn Schoonover has terminal cancer. Her public defender says she is too sick to stand trial and the judge agreed. The 50-yr. old woman is charged with knowingly mailing poison with the intent to kill.

NEWS FEATURE September 24,1 998 5,6,11pm 2:30 Today in San Luis Obispo Bruce Davis, a member of the Charles Manson Family, was denied parole, again. Davis is serving his sentence at the California Men's Colony. In 1972 a jury convicted him for his role in the 1969 Manson Family murders. Today, an emotional Davis admitted to the outrageous, horrific crimes. He said he is sorry he ever became involved with Charles Manson.

NEWS FEATURE September 25, 1998 5,6,11pm 5:40 A jury is waiting until after this weekend to decide the outcome of a local murder case. Harold "Ted" Cornelius is charged with murdering his brother Joe. According to the prosecutor, Cornelius shot repeatedly at his younger brother with a semi-automatic rifle. The prosecution says Cornelius talked about killing his sibling and showed no remorse after the shooting. The defense contends Cornelius was under the influence of drugs and alcohol at the time of the shooting, and that he shot his brother in the heat of the moment. If convicted, Cornelius could spend the rest of his life behind bars.

NEWS FEATURE September 25, 1998 5,6,11pm 2:00 Police are keeping a close eye on that filthy home we told you about last night. Pismo Beach Police discovered a house on Wadsworth was home to more than 50 cats and was covered in animal waste. Dozens of the cats had to be killed. Now, animal control is trying to capture the rest in traps. Here is the latest twist in the story. Police say that last night someone entered the home and took the food out of the traps. Police say anyone caught trespassing in the house will be arrested. The home was deemed unsafe to live in. The Animal News Network and Volunteers for Animals are working to find homes for some of the rescued cats.

NEWS FEATURE September 26, 1998 6,11pm 1:00 Consumers and businesses on the Central Coast need to watch their wallets this weekend. The SMPD says there is a series of counterfeit traveler's checks circulating in our area. Several service stations have been hit by the fake checks in the past few days. They are labeled as VISA checks from Bank of America. Authentic traveler's checks have two water marks on the bill, with a world globe on the left and a dove on the right.

NEWS FEATURE September 26, 1998 6,11pm 3:30 A local community is trying to cut down on juvenile delinquency by educating people. Representatives from the Juvenile Justice System held a forum at the Santa Maria Town Center today. Volunteers passed out fliers printed in English and Spanish, while other staff members answered questions from the public. The event drew a lot of onlookers and most people think it is an idea whose time has come. Police say they deal with young people every day, and many of the problems are gang related. SB County has just received a 3-yr. grant to help reduce juvenile crime.

ECONOMY SEPTEMBER 1998 FCC REPORTS

NEWS FEATURE

September 3, 1998

6,11pm

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Local merchants are gearing up for one of the most lucrative weekends of the year. There are hotel rooms available tonight, but many inkeepers expect a full house by tomorrow evening. It is an end to a successful summer season for area business. Beach front hotels are filling up fast. Even inland roomspace is going fast. Almost everything is booked for Saturday night.

NEWS FEATURE

September 4, 1998

11pm

2:30

A study that was just released by Cal Poly Students shows the University pumped over \$400M into our local economy. Students themselves make-up almost \$200M of that. One business really benefits from it all: Sands Suites & Motel. The SLO Hotel industry thrives off Cal Poly Students. The new study shows Cal Poly contributed 27% more to the economy than in the 1995 study. Cal Poly officials say the economic impact jumped this much after several slow years with budget cuts and admission declines. The data was compiled by three Cal Poly students.

NEWS FEATURE

September 5, 1998

6pm

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Local businesses know money is good when it comes from Cal Poly students. A newly released study shows students pump almost \$200M into our local economy. Next weekend kicks off Welcome Week for incoming freshman. Local hotels will benefit from the flood of families. The study shows the school as a whole contributes \$400M to the economy: from university payroll, visitors spending and university purchases.

NEWS FEATURE

September 10, 1998

5.6.11pm

1:10

A new study is out about California farmworkers. It shows they work harder, for less pay, in poorer living conditions than anybody else. The study says 80% of farmworkers make less than \$10K a year; and half earn below \$5K annually. The report was commissioned by the Speaker of the State Assembly.

NEWS FEATURE

September 16, 1998

5,6pm

1:10

They have big plans to expand and they want you to buy in. Four SLO Companies and one SB Company are among 17-technology based companies showing off their stuff trying to get investors at tomorrows Venture Capital Conference. The cost to walk in is \$300.00. Companies like Xing Technology hope to generate \$1M to \$15M in investments.

GROWTH CONTROL/PLANNING AUGUST 1998 FCC REPORTS

NEWS FEATURE September 15, 1998 5,6,11pm 2:20 It is a battle over style between Santa Barbara and neighboring Goleta. Santa Barbara is requiring that any further airport expansion maintain the Spanish colonial architecture present throughout the city. That style of architecture is in sharp contrast to the Victorian design of many buildings in old town Goleta. As you approach the airport you want to see Santa Barbara. That is what they got their right now and I think they are interested in keeping that style. You can only fly into Goleta, not DT Santa Barbara. However, Goleta recently approved a \$26M plan to develop a heritage district along Hollister Ave. with a special architectural theme.

NEWS FEATURE September 15, 1998 5,6pm 1:50 It would be the biggest retail store iin SLO County. Plans to build a 200K sq. ft. Eagle Hardware Store off Los Osos Valley Rd. and Hwy. 101 are moving forward. The development is creating a stir among environmentalists and local merchants. City and County leaders are now joining the battle. SLO's Mayor wrote an angry letter to the County Board of Supervisors against the proposal. Last night, Mayor Settle accused the board of, "ignoring it's own policies." by even considering the application. The county is incapable of delivering urban services to this property. Mayor Settle wants the application process to go through the Clty, not the County. In the meantime, County planners are reviewing the proposal. If all goes as planned we could see construction as early as next Spring.

NEWS FEATURE September 17, 1998 6,11pm 2:45
A growing number of tourists are creating a demand for hotel space in Santa Barbara. The city has one of the highest occupancy rates in California. The increase in visitors has spurred a series of new hotels, even the owner of a low income housing complex is trying to cash in, evicting residents and opening a high end hotel. Not everyone believes the growth is a good thing. Some say they do not have the affordable housing to afford the workers from the tourism based low wage jobs, it is a double whammy. They cannot sustain that kind of development for the future of the city. Pro-growth supporters argue more tourists can only help the economy.

NEWS FEATURE September 17, 1998 5,6,11pm 2:35 For entrepeneurs, the quest has always been to build a better mousetrap. These days, the quest is also finding the money to build that mousetrap. That is where the Venture Capital Conference comes in. The SLO event gave 17-start up companies the chance to pitch their ideas to venture capitalists. These are investors who give up front for most high-tech companies. Five of the companies on display come from the Central Coast. They say business ideas are the easy part. The conference was sponsored by SLO County's economic vitality corporation, and by the non-profit Wayne Brown Institute.

NEWS FEATURE September 17, 1998 5,6,11pm 1:10
A local office of the CHP is moving, kind of. The SLO office has a new building, which is right next to the old building on California Blvd. That office is closed today and tomorrow for the staff to move. The \$3.5M building will house a state of the art comm. center. The old building will be torn down and turned into a parking lot.

NEWS FEATURE September 17, 1998 5,6,11pm :55
A big celebration planned in Goleta on Saturday. The first arrival of Amtrak's train will arrive at 1:40 at the Goleta Depot. The Depot is currently under construction. The new station will also serve trains heading north to SLO.

NEWS FEATURE September 17, 1998 5,6,11pm 4:00 A CC business is mixing up a blend of jobs and spices. The Spice Hunter is expanding so fat it is finally getting some elbow room. Construction workers started raising the walls this week on the big building off Suburban Rd. in SLO. It is 3x the size of the building it is in now. The new facility will allow more production which means more local jobs. Lucia Cleveland started the business in her kitchen in 1980. She blends up more than 160-spices these days. It has become a \$20M business. When the building is finished in December, it will be one of the largest commercial buildings in the city.

ENVIRONMENT AUGUST 1998 FCC REPORTS

NEWS FEATURE

September 10, 1998

6,11pm

3:21

The battle over user's fees for Montana De Oro State Park continues and now the state park system wants to gain vontrol over the road that leads into the park and has hoped to implement a user fee. But at a public meeting last month in Los Osos, some 400 citizens turned out to say they were opposed to user fees. The state park system says the ball is in the county's court, but that there is the room for alternatives. So far, there is no timeline on a final decision.

NEWS FEATURE

September 10, 1998

5,6,11pm

1:15

A group of environmentalists filed a petition against Unocal. The State Attorney General is being asked to overturn Unocal's corporate charter. This would mean the company would not be able to do business in the state. The group claims the oil company pollutes the environment and does business with oppressiv governments.

NEWS FEATURE

September 10, 1998

5,6,11pm

1:05

First, there was concern about the pesticides in Lompoc Valley. Now there is concern about how those pesticides are being monitored. Last month, monitors were put up to study the pesticide level in the air. But now some say the study may be flawed, because farmers are cutting back on their pesticide use. Even so, the State agency overlooking the project is confident the study is valid.

NEWS FEATURE

September 11, 1998

5.6pm

1:30

Unocals clean up of Avila Beach is set to start next week. The California Coastal Commission will not delay the excavation. Commissioners were considering appealing a SLO County planning permit. However, this week at the Commissions meeting in Eureka, commissioners were satisfied with changes made by the County on the permit question. There were two issues dealing with Vandenberg AFB.

NEWS FEATURE

September 12,1998

6 & 11pm

4:16

The city of San Luis Obispo is sweeping in an unusual project, it's a new program called "Sweep and Greet" and it's purpose is to clean up the trash in town. The city of San Luis Obispo isn't the only one who benefits from this program, tourists tell us it reminds them of another place, the happiest place on earth. The Downtown Business Improvement Association started the program and they plan to bring it back next summer.

NEWS FEATURE

September 13, 1998

6 & 11pm

1:29

The battle over new drilling is heating up the race for governor. In recent weeks republican candidate Dan Lungren has been criticized fro his one-time support of some oil drilling plans. Now he has turned the tables, accusing democrat Gray Davis of voting twice to approve new wells off the Santa Barbara coast. Davis spent the day in San Luis Obispo and said it is not true. So far, the state has a moratorium on any new drilling in state-controlled waters.

NEWS FEATURE September 14, 1998 5,6,11pm 2:45 Avila Beach will never be the same after next week. The beach will still be accessible and you will not notice a whole lot at first, but on 9/22 PROJECT AVILA begins. 400,000 gallons of oil products have leaked underground. And now Unocal is going to try and dig it out. Buildings will be torn down and streets will be ripped up. That part of the project, however, may not happen for a while. The beach itself will not be closed until next year. The project will last until the year 2000. Total cost could come close to \$200M.

NEWS FEATURE September 15, 1998 5,11pm 1:05 It is time to recycle that phone book. All 100,000 of them in SLO County. The annual phone book recycling program is set to start September 17, 1998, the day the new books arrive. The old books will be turned into next years. You can toss the books into your recycling bin or take them to several locations around town. Call 1-800-400-0811 for a site near you.

NEWS FEATURE September 15, 1998 5,6,11pm 4:00 The City Council is considering a 4.7 rate increase across the board for picking up your garbage. It will affect everyone who puts garbage on the curb, businesses and residents. The plan is to set up a new rate structure that makes it more attractive for people to reduce their waste and recycle more. Right now if you use orange bags, you pay \$2.40 a month for pickup. If the rate increase is approved you will pay \$2.51 a month. The cost of bags, though, is going up by \$6.00. The city is also considering adding a 32-gallon container for \$8.27 a month. The idea is, the more trash you put out, the more you pay. City officials hope you will work to use the recycling bin more often and get into a smaller container to save money. A decision should be reached tonight.

NEWS FEATURE September 15, 1998 5,11pm 1:10
A foreign intruder threatens the Goleta Slough. Plant biologists are concerned about the S. American Pampas Grass. It is growing rampant in the Goleta Slough. There is concern it will hurt the already threatened native plant species. A \$54K grant from the Ca. Exotic Pest Plant Council is expected to help a local task force destroy the invader.

NEWS FEATURE September 15, 1998 5,6pm :30 Firefighters in Santa Barbara lit a fire to prevent one in the future. A controlled burn is underway in Santa Ynez. Matt Cota covered the story.

NEWS FEATURE September 17, 1998 5,6pm :40
Plenty of people in Carpinteria are upset about the contamination of Rincon Creek. Now they are vowing to do something about it. The first problem however is to find the source of the pollution. A study is proposed that will help pinpoint the problem. Health officials believe the high bacteria county may be due to animal or human fecal matter in the creek.

NEWS FEATURE September 17, 1998 5,6,11pm 6:00 Here are the latest changes underway at Avila Beach. Renters at the Avila Beach Trailer Park have just a few hours to move out. They are being evicted to make way for the extensive clean-up by Unocal. Most of the tenants at the park refuse to leave by the deadline. They say it is not fair to make them move out with only 30-days notice and no compensation. Most renters are low-income. They say they cannot find affordable housing on short notice. Some tenants are involved in a class-action lawsuit. The landowners, Beach Properties, are negotiating with Unocal and tenants in hopes of reaching an agreement.

NEWS FEATURE September 24, 1998 11pm :45
It is Pollution Prevention Week and some local businesses are getting a pat on the back for keeping the Central Coast clean. A display at tonight's Farmer's Market in SLO showcased companies that went above and beyond when it comes to taking care of their county. 10 environmentally conscious businesses have been honored for reducing pollution through pro-active programs. Organizers say the week means a lot to the community. The winning companies were awarded in several categories. They include agriculture, air quality, hazardous waste, solid waste and water quality.

NEWS FEATURE September 24, 1998 5,6pm :30
The last remaining wild horses on Santa Cruz island will soon be gone. The National Park Service intends to move the horses to a sanctuary in SLO. Some of the horses were corraled and moved off the island yesterday.

SOCIAL CONCERNS & MATTERS AUGUST 1998 FCC REPORTS

NEWS FEATURE

September 1, 1998

5,6,11pm

1:35

It has been a troubling summer for San Luis Obispo's only public pool. Now the public's help is needed to stop fecal contamination at Sinsheimer Pool. In the past month, there were four incidents where someone defecated in the pool. The pool was closed down after each incident. The pool was closed down after each incident. Anyone interested in discussing problems at Sinsheimer Pool can attend tonight's public meeting. That is at 7:00 at the SLO Swim Center on Southwood Drive.

NEWS FEATURE

September 4, 1998

5,6,11pm

1:15

It is a happy ending story we have been following. The Sanchez Family was living in a one-room shed in Oceano until it was boarded up by the landlord. Today, Pedro and Maria Sanchez, along with their six children, have a new home. The Sanchez family could be able to move in any time.

NEWS FEATURE

September 4, 1998

5,6,11pm

4:00

A Santa Maria woman tempts taste-buds as she creates a prize-winning recipe. Dottie Lyons entered her Baby Artichokes and Italian Sausage Rigatoni in Sunset Magazine's Centennial Cook-off. She won Best of Category out of 800-entries. Dottie's secret is experience. She has been cooking 11-yrs. If you would like the recipe you can find it in September's issue of the magazine.

NEWS FEATURE

September 4, 1998

6.11pm

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Paso Robles kicked off Labor Day Weekend with Cruisin' Paso Robles. Tonight, 350-cars paraded up and down Spring St. Paso Robles blocked off the main drag through town for 14-blocks. The blast to the past was all to kick of the car show. It begins tomorrow at Paso Robles City Park and last through Sunday. Awards ceremony for the show starts at 2:00 on Sunday.

NEWS FEATURE

September 4, 1998

6pm

1:00

The Polish Festival begins this weekend. Steve Dalen, who is in charge of it all was interviewed. A review of the event was given and invitations were cast.

NEWS FEATURE

September 5, 1998

6,11pm

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A perfect day to sip perfect wines at Mission Plaza in San Luis Obispo. It was all part of the Central Coast Wine Festival. For a \$30.00 ticket, tasters received a commemorative glass and sampled wines from 36-local wineries. Six microbreweries were also on hand.

NEWS FEATURE

September 7, 1998

6pm

1:00

It is back to school time and for the dog that means more alone time. There are some things you can do so that your pet is not so lonely: leave toys around the house, filled with treats; stuffing a marrow bone with peanut butter or cream cheese. If your dogs

bark a lot when you are gone, try leaving a radio or TV on.

NEWS FEATURE September 7, 1998 11pm 2:20

Two weeks ago we introduced you to the Sanchez Family, a family of eight who were living in a one-bedroom shack. Since then, you have showered the family with donations of furniture and hundreds of dollars to get them a new home, and tonight that is where they are. Their new three bedroom house stretches beyond the dreams of this family of eight. It takes them away from a past they are working so hard to forget. Many times this family has gone without, but tonight they do not have to.

NEWS FEATURE September 7, 1998 5,6,11pm 1:25
Drinking and driving and celebrating the holiday at the Oceano Dunes was different this year. A new law went into effect this weekend to crack down on open containers in offroad vehicles. Park rangers decided to allow a grace period, so they did not ticket violaters this weekend. But 4-people did get warning citations.

NEWS FEATURE September 7, 1998 11pm :50 On holiday weekends we always hear about the crack down on drunk drivers. Statewide this Labor Day Weekend, CHP has made well over 1,300 drunk driving arrests. That is down from 1,488 arrests during the same time last year. As for fatal collisions on California roads, this weekend 31-people have died in traffic accidents throughout the state.

NEWS FEATURE September 7, 1998 11pm 2:20 Labor Day marks the unofficial end of summer for many. Today, thousands of workers celebrated a day off. Not all employees were so lucky. Some places, like gas stations, stayed open. The holiday dates back more than 100-yrs. It began with labor unions. Many government offices were closed today.

NEWS FEATURE September 8, 1998 5,6,11pm 1:30 A follow-up to a story brought on yesterday's news. A company called Housing Referral Agency or HRA had been selling a list of "exclusive" rentals on the central coast. But there were complaints from customers saying they never received the list, or that the listings were already in the paper. Today, the State Dept. of Real Estate served HRA with an Order to Desist and Refrain. If the company ignores the order it could face charges.

NEWS FEATURE September 8, 1998 5,6pm 2:40
There is help for those parents who feel hopeless because their teen is into gangs or drugs. It is a National Award Winning Program called Parent Project. Today it kicked off for the first time in SLO County. The program teaches parents how to guide their teens away from destructive behaviors. During the 10-week course parents also learn symptoms of drug use, the latest drugs and role-playing. The program was created in 1987 and has shown to be highly successful. It empowers the parent to get that control back from the child without confrontation or trying to control your child. The project cost \$30.00. Call 549-6772 if you are interested.

NEWS FEATURE September 8, 1998 6,11pm 2:40 It is project to help needy people who do not have a place to live. Every day in SLO County hundreds spend their lives on the streets. The County's only homeless shelter can be found in SLO. One group is working to change all that. A day center would be a place for providers to have a central location so clients can get to appropriate providers to help them with their problems. If you can help call 434-2466.

NEWS FEATURE September 8, 1998 5,6,11pm 5:00 After years of hearing about Unocal's massive clean-up of Avila Beach, Businesses are starting to pack-up and shut down to get ready for the excavation. Tonight is last call, literally, for regulars at The Lighthouse Bar and Grill on Front St. One block of businesses has until 9/20 to move out. Customers and business owners say it is hard to say goodbye. Unocal plans to begin the excavation project on 9/21 if all the needed permits are ready. The multi-million dollar project is expected to take two years. Unocal is digging up 400,000-gallons of oil contaminant.

NEWS FEATURE September 8, 1998 11pm :35
He was a man who called SLO home for all of his life, all 87-years of it. One of the city's most prized old-timers has died. Bill Froom was well known in the local agriculture and cattle industry. The Froom Ranch sits on 500-acres of hills off of Hwy. 101. Froom was born in SLO in a small house that still stands overlooking Los Osos Valley Rd. The longtime resident will be remembered as a philanthropist and a historian. Memorial Services are planned although a date has not been set. Bill Froom died of liver cancer on Saturday. He was 87.

NEWS FEATURE September 9, 1998 6 &11 pm 2:13
The "Taste of San Luis" has become an annual event in the city of San Luis Obispo.
Tonight was the night to slip on the evening gown and dust off the tuxedo. In the city's historic Mission Plaza, it was an evening of "Good Taste." This is the sixth year of the event. Proceeds from the event go to San Luis Obispo Sweep N' Greet project.

NEWS FEATURE September 10, 1998 5 & 11pm 2:56
A group of dancers from Paso Robles Hight School is heading to new York city on Thanksgiving day to perform in the annual Macy's parade. It's an honor that comes with hard work. Each girl must raise \$2,000 to make the trip. These girls are doing everything they can to raise the cash before they go. Theyr'e planning a car wash and a benefit show to raise the money.

NEWS FEATURE September 10, 1998 6pm :55
The Red Cross needs our help. The SLO Chapter needs new maniquins for teaching CPR. It only has eight right now. That makes traing more than 9,000 people a year hard. The dolls have not been replaced in 20-yrs and are wearing out. The Red Cross is now adopting the Adopt-a-Maniquin program. For \$350 you can have a maniquin bought with your name. You will receive adoption papers and the maniquin will forever wear a shirt with your name on it. Call the Red Cross if you want to help.

NEWS FEATURE September 11, 1998 5,6pm 2:05
A unique group is cleaning up SLO's creeksides. They are group called Urban Rangers, that most people don't know even exists. Three years ago there was an area of the creek that was home to dozens of transients. Without any sewage for them, most of the waste went straight into the creek. The city said it looked like a junkyard. SLO's Park & Rec. Dept. cleaned up the mess. And to make sure it never got that bad again, the Urban Rangers were created. There are three of them who patrol all along San Luis Creek, day and night. So far it has been successful. They have also helped lighten the load on San Luis Obispo police officers.

NEWS FEATURE September 11, 1998 5,6,11pm 1:20 If you want to see what's new at the PAC in SLO, all you have to do is look up. For the past month, crews have been installing a 15th Century Spanish ceiling, and today you can finally see it. That piece of art was donated to the PAC before the center was even built. In fact, the building was designed around the ceiling. The cost to put up the ceiling, more than \$70K.

NEWS FEATURE September 13, 1998 6 & 11pm 1:28

A local landmark is celebrating a birthday today. The 226th birthday for Mission San Luis Obispo. the occasion was marked today with a fair on the mission grounds. Almost a dozen organizations affiliated with the mission were on hand, selling barbecue and mexican food and offering information about their programs. It was a day not only to mark the mission's historical significance, but it's place in our community today.

NEWS FEATURE September 13, 1998 6pm :40 Local Amtrak engineer, Tommy De La Rosa, has been the man behind the locomotive for half a century. Now he's celebrating. De La Rosa began his career with steam engines and then got promoted to passenger trains. The 70-year old engineer says he doesn't plan on retiring any time soon.

NEWS FEATURE September 13, 1998 6pm :38
A turtle and tortoise club spent this Saturday showing off its rare critters including a 35 pound African tortoise.

NEWS FEATURE September 13, 1998 6 & 11pm 2:43
A home for troubled teens in Santa Maria is closing down. The shelter is known as the safe shelter, or to some Klein Bottle Youth Services. The shelter's been in trouble since early summer, when it faced another potential shutdown. At that time, Santa Barbara County took over the services. But now the county says the shelter will close for good at the end of the month.

NEWS FEATURE September 13, 1998 6pm :39
In Santa Maria another milestone is being celebrated. It's Mexican Independence Day and the community turned out for a fiesta at the city center, complete with music, authentic mexican food and lots of family fun. The Santa Maria Chamber of Commerce and the hispanic business committee put on today's event to spread the awreness of

hispanic culture.

NEWS FEATURE September 14, 1998 5,6,11pm 6:10 A dedaly fungus is infecting pine trees all over the Central Coast and throughout the State of CA. But now, new legislation may help save the Monterey Pine Tree. The CA. Dept. of Forestry is getting over \$2M to help fight Pine Pitch Canker. The disease cuts off the tree's water supply, killing its limbs. Forestry officials say they will use the money to complete research projects and educate the public about the fungus. Scientists are trying to find a tree that is resistant to Pitch Canker. If they find one and breed it they say it is possible to stop the spread of the fungus.

NEWS FEATURE September 14, 1998 5,6,11pm 1:00 A major dig in Santa Barbara is uncovering the past. A section of El Presidio, the first settlement in Santa Barbara, was covered for decades by a parking lot. Today its revealing some major finds. Much of the architecture remains had been thought to be graded away because of the parking lot, but they were surprised to find that much of it had survived. The dig is expected to take at least another year. Once completed, work will begin on reconstructing the outer wall of El Presidio.

NEWS FEATURE September 15, 1998 5,6pm 3:35

Time has run out for California Indian Tribes to sign a compact with the Governor over video slot machines. Now, they run the risk of being shut-down. Today, Chumash tribal members faced off with the government in a courtroom in Los Angeles. Today, a move by a Federal Judge in Los Angeles does not look good for the Casino in Santa Ynez. The topic of Indian Gaming has been in the courts for months. Video gaming machines are illegal in the State. Today, a U.S. Attorney asked that the video slot machines be seized. The issue of whether or not the machines should continue to run has been tied up in court. They continue to spin in Santa Ynez. The business is very lucrative, more than \$1M in profits a day on the reservation. No order was issued today, but the Judge asked both sides to issue a timetable briefs for the court order-indication a court order to seize the gaming machines would be coming in the near future.

NEWS FEATURE September 16, 1998 11pm 1:15
Central Coast resident, and nationally known singer, Kenny Loggins, appeared at San Luis Obispo's Performing Art Center this evening. The Grammy award winner played to a packed concert in San Luis Obispo. The 50 year old musician is into more than writing music these days, he's writing books. His book explores the rules of romance as seen through "letters" between Kanny and his wife and through poetry.

NEWS FEATURE September 16, 1998 5pm :22
Copeland Sports, the San Luis Obispo sports chain is set to open its second largeest store in downtown Santa Barbara. The store will more to a 12,000 foot space that currently occupies the Earthling bookstore which is going out of business.

NEWS FEATURE September 16, 1998 5,6,11pm 3:00 A model of the Clark Center, a new performing arts center, was unveiled today. It will house a 600-seat auditorium and a 150-seat theater. This has been in the works for the past twenty years. It is going to be built next to Arroyo Grande High School. The cost is about \$5M. Construction begins next month and should last until the year 2000. The center still needs \$600K. Call 489-4114 if you would like to help.

NEWS FEATURE September 16, 1998 5,6pm 2:00 Arroyo Grande is starting to change the bare walls and rooms that lack the warmth of home. It is called the Adopt-a-Room program. The hospital is asking the community to donate money to help redecorate 58-room. The first adopted room has already been redecorated. Touches of home help the healing process. It costs about \$1,500 to redecorate, call if you are interested.

NEWS FEATURE September 16, 1998 5pm 1:30

A SLO High School student gets to school early to join dozens of his friends in a morning prayer. This gathering is in honor of National See-You-At-The-Pole-Day. A day set aside for students to pray at school. Teenagers turned out at AGHS as well. They say worshipping on campus is a special moment. It is rare to be able to pray at school where christianity is not accepted. Religious leaders say enrollment in Christian Youth Groups is on the rise. They say the groups offer kids a sense of purpose and a place to turn when times are tough. It helps them with their challenges from home. Students say that taking time out to worship makes them feel good.

NEWS FEATURE September 18, 1998 5,6,11pm 3:15 It is the first of it's kind in Paso Robles. It is the first Annual Taste of Downtown Paso Robles. You can take a horse ride and go tasting restaurants and fine cuisine being offered. Dozens of CC artists will display their art in the park. Live music will fill the air as well. Money raised will go to preserving Downtown Paso. Tickets are \$15.00. The event will go through the weekend.

NEWS FEATURE September 18, 1998 5,6,11pm 1:15 Solvang's Danish Days kicked off tonight. The event will have music, dancing and torchlight parade. Tomorrow, the popular pancake breakfast, Aebleskiver, will be served to 2000 people. Danish Days will continue on through Sunday.

NEWS FEATURE September 18, 1998 5,6pm 1:25
They are paving the way for improvements at Pismo Beach. Pile drivers were pounding the first steps of the new Boardwalk. The 400-foot wooden walkway will stretch from Stimson to Hinds. It will create a continuous path from the pier to the Addie St. Parking lot. It will be elevated so you can walk above or below. It should be complete in January, 1999. The Promenade Project may be the missing link. It will give people a location to look at the ocean. There will also be music, art and crafts. The \$352K project was paid for by State and Federal Grants. The City of Pismo Beach also pitched in.

NEWS FEATURE September 18, 1998 5pm :30 Friends of Angel Cossio, deceased, and his son are holding a benefit breakfast to raise money for the Angel, Sr.'s wife and two daughters. It is happening tomorrow at 7:30 a.m. at Hometown Buffet in Santa Maria. Tickets are \$6.00.

NEWS FEATURE September 18, 1998 6,11pm 3:45
There is a big auction this weekend for anyone who will settle for a not-so-new computer.
The County will be holding an auction of cars, trucks, tractors, boats and dozens of computers. Bidders will have to register beforehand. Items will go fast. The County routinely collects stolen unclaimed property. They have to dispose of that as the piles build up. The rest of the stuff is surplus from every county department. All items are sold as-is with no warranties. They expect the sale to bring about \$150K. Auction is held at County Operational Center off of Hwy. 1 between SLO and Morro Bay.

NEWS FEATURE September 18, 1998 5pm :35
Tomorrow is the 14th Annual California Coastal Clean-up Day. Hundreds of thousands of people world-wide will gather to clear the sandy shores. Last year, 50K volunteers worked on the California Coast, clearing 700K-lbs. of trash. Volunteers will gather on beaches in our area at 9 am. Call for information.

NEWS FEATURE September 18, 1998 5,6,11pm 5:30 It is National POW/MIA Day, a day when people around the country pay tribute to American prisoners of war and soldiers missing in action. Vandenberg AFB is dedicating a new monument to those servicemen. The local Air Force Sergeants Assoc. spent seven years raising money for the memorial. About 20-former POW's joined in today's ceremony. Most of them are veterans from WWII. The monument honors not only the sacrifice of the soldiers, but of their families as well. An estimated 2,000 soldiers never returned home from the Vietnam War.

NEWS FEATURE September 19, 1998 6,11pm 3:25
Americans spent their Saturdays, from Coast-to-Coast, making an effort to keep the Nation's beaches clean. That effort included other countries, and was especially strong here on the Central Coast. An estimated 600-people scoured the beaches of SLO County this morning. Similar cleanups took place everywhere fro San Diego to San Francisco. Most of the volunteers said they enjoy going to the local beaches and want to keep them clean. Garbage is not only an eyesore for humans, but deadly for coastal animals. Volunteers filled out checklists to record what kind of trash they found. Cigarette butts and plastic bags made up most of the litter found on the beaches. Today's event was organized by the California Coastal Commission and the Center for Marine Conservation.

NEWS FEATURE September 20, 1998 6,11pm 3:30 Santa Maria spent Sunday celebrating it's All-America City Award with a party big enough for the entire town. Celebrators packed the City center for the Star Spangled Awards Ceremony. Mayor Maldonado received an offical plaque from the National Civic League. Booths offered activities for people of all ages. The Mayor says the real benefits of the award will be felt in the future. The City is also renaming a portion of Cook St. as All-America City Blvd. Santa Maria beat out more than 100 contenders to become one of 10 cities given the award this year. The contest and all of today's festivities were paid for completely by donations from local businesses.

NEWS FEATURE September 21, 1998 11pm :40

Today marked the first day of the Fall quarter for Cal Poly students. This year's incoming freshman class looks to be among the best and brightest yet. Admissions reports the average GPA for incoming freshman is 3.6. The average SAT score is 1165; very high compared to other state universities. Interest in Cal Poly is also way up. About 18,000 students applied to get into the university this year. Of those, only about 40% received acceptance letters. Admission officials say Cal Poly gets more and more applications every year.

NEWS FEATURE September 21, 1998 5,6,11pm 4:10
People at a mobile home park on the Vandenberg AFB must now find somewhere else to put their trailers. The base commander announced the park will be phased out over the next three years. Base leaders say the aging roads and utilities are too expensive to fix. Trailer occupants are nervous about the future. Residents say it is nearly impossible to find a space in other mobile home parks on the central coast.

NEWS FEATURE September 21, 1998 5,6,11pm 1:45 Thousands teamed up this weekend to cleam up our California Coastline. The results are in from Saturday's Coastal Clean-up Day. Volunteers hauled in more than 700,000 pounds of trash. 600 people pitched-in to clean up SLO beaches. The most common litter found was cigarette butts and plastic wrappers. There were plenty of unusual items found along the California Coast: a lawn mower, dentures, two guns, a shower head and a message in a bottle from a Russian sailor trying to find an American pen-pal.

NEWS FEATURE September 21, 1998 5,6,11pm 5:00 The much anticipated environmental dig, that was supposed to start on 9/2, has been put on hold. Unocal says its excavation of some 400,000 gallons of oil and diesel is being held up by both lack of permits and a disagreement on how much the company will spend to monitor the project. Some involved in the process have pushed for a final agreement before any work begins. Leaders on both sides now say the ball needs to get rolling. Unocal says it will reassess the timeline of the excavation project by midweek.

NEWS FEATURE September 22, 1998 5, 6 & 11pm 1:13
Take a look around the San Luis Obispo Arts Center, you'll find all kinds of art and it's all done by kids ages five to 12. It's part of the summer classes at the Art Center. More than 200 kids were involved. These young artists are holding a reception this Sunday from three until five. The Art Center is starting its after school classes.

NEWS FEATURE September 23, 1998 6,11pm 1:30

The SB Sheriff's Dept. is on a manhunt for elementary school students. It is part of a new program called Operation Big Chill where the tickets they give are for good deeds. They can be redeemed at 7-11 convenience stores for a slurpee. The goal is to promote good behavior like deterring crime or good bicycle safety. The program also helps break the ice between cops and the kids. The Sherrif's department still has 5,000 free Slurpee tickets to hand out.

NEWS FEATURE September 24, 1998 11pm 1:00

Jarry Gaona, 19-yrs. old, of Atascadero got a chance to appear on the Dating Game.

He was Bachelor #2. Jerry was picked to go on the date. You can watch the entire show tomorrow afternoon at 4:30. Check you programming for channel.

NEWS FEATURE September 24, 1998 5,6,11pm 3:40 A gruesome discovery in Pismo Beach shocks police and angers animal lovers. A homeowner on Wadsworth is found living with as many as 50-cats in a house covered in animal waste. After looking inside the home, police brought owner Antoinette Vawtter in for questioning and called for animal control. More than 10-cats were captured and taken to the shelter. Others had to be killed on site. They went into one room and lifted up a bed and basically were almost attacked by about 20-adult cats. As many as 30-cats were killed. Traps now sit inside to capture the remaining animals. Animal shelters are outraged that so many cats were killed. The homeowner was cited for having too many pets. She has also been cited for health violations.

NEWS FEATURE September 25, 1998 6pm :20
The music is already starting down at Leadbetter Beach in Santa Barbara. Yes, it is the 10th Annual Jazz Festival. The world music beach party kicked off this afternoon. Tickets are still available for the festival which goes through the weekend. The main draw tomorrow is The Dave Brubeck Quartet.

NEWS FEATURE September 25, 1998 11pm :35
There is a new place for skaters to keep their wheels rolling. SLO's 1st Baptist Church has opened its parking lot for a free skateboard weekend. The free skate has contests for competitive types too. It continues tomorrow afternoon, starting at 4. Skaters of all ages are invited to hit the ramps, enjoy some music and finish the night off with a concert. This weekend's event kicks off a weekly free skate afternoon at the church. Every Tuesday afternoon the church is opening its parking lot to skaters so they have a safe place to practice their sport.

NEWS FEATURE September 25, 1998 5,6pm 2:35

A new development in the battle over off-shore oil drilling. The fight pits oil companies against the majority of residents and leaders on the Central Coast. It is a big issue right now for two reasons: 1. It is an election year and candidates know offshore oil drilling is unpopular with just about all voters. 2. A long awaited federal study on offshore drilling is just about over and people are worried. Today, environmentalists and politicians spoke out against the Federal Cooger Study. They fear it is more for offshore

drilling than against it. This unified front announced plans to appeal to the U.S. Interior Secretary to terminate all undeveloped leases. There are 40 undeveloped oil tracts sitting out there off of SLO and SB Coastlines. This letter to the Secretary hopes to stop any kind of drilling on these 40-leases. People are skeptical about the study because it is partially funded by oil companies. The fear is the study will not support, not terminate, new offshore platforms. The Federal Study should be completed in March.

NEWS FEATURE September 25, 1998 6,11pm 2:45
Off the SB Coast, the horses are gone, but the controversy isn't. After a long court fight between animal rights groups and the National Park Service, sixteen wild horses were moved from Santa Cruz Island. The owner of the horses was ordered to remove the animals. Now the animals rights group claims the horses were treated cruelly on their trip to the mainland. It is a charge the owner strongly denies. There is no evidence of anything done wrong. There were no sedatives used and it went very smoothly. The horses are currently at a ranch in Buellton. They will stay there for a month before relocating to a horse sanctuary in N. California.

NEWS FEATURE September 26, 1998 11pm :30

One agency involved in keeping kids out of trouble is closing its doors today. Employees are cleaning out the Santa Maria Safe Shelter. The home, also known as Klein Bottle Youth Services, is officially shutting down. SB County pulled the plug on the shelter, citing poor bookkeeping and debts. Until yesterday, there were four teenagers staying there. Some will be transferred to foster homes, others are going back to their families.

NEWS FEATURE September 26, 1998 6,11pm :45 Gray skies did not stop an annual tradition in downtown Arroyo Grande this morning. It is the Annual Harvest Festival. People celebrated the season by parading through town in their best farm equipment. Even the young farmers were getting in on the action. You do not need to live off of the land to enjoy the bounty. You can just go to one of the stands at the festival.

NEWS FEATURE September 26, 1998 6,11pm 1:30 Lifeguards at the beach are throwing in the towel after this weekend, signifying the end of summer. Sunday marks the end of lifeguard season and that means area Fire Depts. will be responding to water rescue calls. This summer lifeguards rescued more than 200-people. That is compared to less than 30-rescues last year. With no guards on the beach, firefighters say we can help save lives by knowing how to identify a swimmer who is in trouble. Things to look for if you see a swimmer in distress is hair in the eyes, a person yelling for help waving their arms. They typically have their back to the waves. They are trying to keep afloat it looks like they are trying to climb a ladder. Firefighters say if you see someone in trouble, call 911. In Pismo Beach, it takes firefighters about 7-minutes to reach a victim in the water.

NEWS FEATURE September 27, 1998 6pm :30
A SM home for troubled teens has closed its doors after troubles of its own. Employees

spent the weekend clearing out of the safe shelter, also known as Klein Bottle Youth Services. SB County pulled the plug on the shelter, citing poor bookkeeping and debts. As of Friday, there were four teenagers living in the safe shelter. Some will be transferred to foster homes and others will go back to their families.

NEWS FEATURE September 28, 1998 5,6,11pm 1:30 Back here on the Central Coast, you are about to see something new cruising down the streets of SLO. PG&E is teaming up with the city to provide you with an electric bus. The Electric Bus uses lead-acid batteries. After one charge, it can operate an entire day. This new system of transportation can hold almost two dozen passengers. Service is scheduled to begin the first week of October. The best part of all is that it is free.

NEWS FEATURE September 28, 1998 5,6,11pm 1:50
The world's largest living rodent is here on the Central Coast. Our new neighbor is called a Capybara. This 100-pound female is now on display at the Charles Paddock Zoo in Atascadero. She is active during mornings and evenings. And when alarmed or threatened she will run to water. Unlike other rodents, the Capybara can stay under water for as long as five minutes. By the way, the name Capybara means "Master of the Grasses."

NEWS FEATURE September 30, 1998 6pm :50
Bagpipers converged on Hawthorne Elementary School today for an old fashioned cornerstone ceremony. The school is newly remodeled, after being adopted by a local Masonic Lodge. The cornerstone is a permanent reminder of a relationship that is building. To show thanks, students are sending gifts. They have put a time capsule under the cornerstone. It is full of pictures and articles. Future students will open the capsule 100-years from today.

NEWS FEATURE September 30, 1998 11pm :45
Starting today you have the chance to rock out and lend a helping hand. Radio Station KZOZ kicked off its third annual rock auction. KZOZ is auctioning off autographed items from some of the biggest bands. A guitar from Fleetwood Mac is on the block. The money benefits AIDS Support Network. In the past 2-yrs., KZOZ has helped raise \$24K. This year it hopes to top that. If you want to make a bid on any of the items, call KZOZ.

EDUCATION SEPTEMBER 1998 FCC REPORTS

NEWS FEATURE

September 1, 1998

11pm

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The SLO County School Board unanimously approved Pacheco Elementary School as an alternative dual-immersion school. Tonight's vote means an exception to Prop. 227 which ended bilingual education in California. The Board's vote allows the school to continue it's dual-immersion program. For other schools in the county which lack bilingual programs, it will take twenty people to sign a petition to ask for primary language instruction. Then the school will have thirty days to comply.

NEWS FEATURE

September 9, 1998

5 & 6pm

2:22

Healthy eating is a nationwide trend and now some Central Coast schools are catching on. School districts are serving up leaner lunch meats, more bread and less protein. Salad bars will also be added, twice a week at the elementary schools and every day at the hight schools. For the past few years the district has been lowering the fat and this year the focus is adding more fruits and vegetables.

NEWS FEATURE

September 10,1998

5 & 6pm

4:45

A local San Luis Obispo school, Hawthorne, is overcrowded on the first day of school. The school can handle about 200 kids, and now 251 are filing in for class. Parents say the crowded conditions and talk about moving kids into different classrooms is tough on the teachers and the kids. The school principal says the crowded conditions are temporary. Right now district officials are trying to figue out how many students are at each school and how many teachers it will take to handle them. Hawthorne's principal expects to shuggle kids around when new teachers arrive.

NEWS FEATURE

September 14, 1998

5, 6 & 11pm

5:37

The head of the California State University system visits the Central Coast. Chancellor Charles Reed was in San Luis Obispo to kick off the year at Cal Poly and to outline his vision that will bring the University into the 21st century. Chancellor Charles Reed comes to the Cal State System from Florida where he also headed the State Universities. He's bringing some fresh ideas and some controversial that could make beig changes at colleges like Cal Poly. He states that in the next decade there is a tidal wave of students coming to the Univ. of Californa and Cal State University and the higher education sector is going to need to grow by about 50 per cent in next ten years. He plans to accomodate that growth by expanding campuses such as Cal Poly and by better utilizing the facilities.

NEWS FEATURE

September 14, 1998

5, 6 & 11pm

2:29

Cal Poly is throwing out the welcome mat this week to more than 2,000 new students. The annual WOW week or "Week of Welcome" is underway. It's a student orientation that is surrounded by a incredible spirit of excitement. There are over 2,000 freshmena and transfer students taking part in this years event. Groups of "WOW" students will be exploring San Luis Obispo and other Central Coast cities throughout the week.

NEWS FEATURE September 14, 1998 5,6pm 1:00

Another new face for education on the Central Coast. A superintendent with 20-yrs. experience will take the reins of the Paso Robles Unified School District. For 8-mos. the School Board has been searching for a new leader for the growing school district. Dr. Patrick Sayne was chosen among 30-applicants. Dr. Sayne brings experience with him. He has been a teacher, a principal and is currently the superintendent in Lakeport, CA.

NEWS FEATURE September 15, 1998 5,6,11pm 3:25 Operation School BellI is reaching out to those kids in need. The Non-profit group raised money and buys new clothes for kids in grades K-6. The schools assess which students need it most. Then the studen makes an appointment for a mini-shopping spree. Each child gets two new outfits, a new pair of jeans, a jacket and some shoes. Call if you would like to help.

NEWS FEATURE September 22, 1998 6,11pm 3:20 The Atascadero School District is hoping to sell 8-acres of property on El Camino and San Diego. District officials say their enrollment is stable so they do not need to expand, and the site is too small to build a school on. The City Council must approve a zone change from public to residential before the land can sell. If the property does change hands, the funds will be used for school improvements. They have conditioned the first \$700K to spend on deferred maintenance projects. The City Council was set to discuss the zoning issue at tonight's meeting but the item was continued.

NEWS FEATURE September 24, 1998 5,6,11pm 4:25 It is a new program in several SB County elementary schools that is bringing parents and their kids together like never before. A 4th grade class at Adams School not only learns on computers at school, but on school computers installed at their own homes. The Computers for Families Project allows students to go online at home, so they can show their parents exactly what they did in school. The program costs \$17K and is paid for by a county education technology grant.

NEWS FEATURE September 24, 1998 5,6,11pm 5:00 A program to change the way kids learn about space and technology is really blasting off. The Endeavor Academy at Arroyo Grande H.S. is getting over \$100K from the State. The California Space and Technology Alliance is giving them the money to support high-tech education. The classes combine basic physics with computers and hands-on projects like rockets and robots. The Endeavor Academy also offers weekend seminars for kids ages eight to eleven.

NEWS FEATURE September 27, 1998 11pm :20
The Governor of California signed some last minute bills into law, including one that will put into gear plans for a new CSU campus on the Central Coast. The bill establishes a Channel Islands site authority to oversee developments of the former Camarillo State Hospital into a CSU Campus. The new school is slated to open in August of next year.

NEWS FEATURE

September 28, 1998

5,11pm

5:25

A SM school is honored for bringing parents into the classroom. Every day, parents visit the kindergarten classes at Ontiveros School. They visit for Book Time, a time designed to help kids learn to read. Teachers say the lessons are not only for children. It helps parents show the importance of reading. That is something we have always been saying. Teachers developed this program five years ago after a local head start program was cancelled.

HEALTH CONCERNS AUGUST 1998 FCC REPORTS

NEWS FEATURE September 16, 1998 11pm :40

The Red Cross accuses some hospitals of postponing non-emergency surgeries in S. California due to a blood shortage. The LA Unit issued an Emergency Appeal today for Group O and B types. Closer to home, the Tri-Counties Blood Bank of SLO is in need of blood types A and O. While the SB branch says blood types O+ and O- are needed. The next blood drive at AHC is on 10/1/98. You can also donate at Westmont College

on 9/22.

NEWS FEATURE September 23, 1998 5,6,11pm 4:50 In order to get medical care, SLO county's 30,000 veterans have to travel over an hour to a VA Facility. But, a new VA Hospital is on the horizon. Today Veteran Administrators told vets that a community based outpatient clinic is coming to SLO. The local clinic will help keep vets up on health care by eliminating the need for travel. Right now, the VA is taking bids for the San Luis Clinic. They hope to have a location picked by the end of the year.

NEWS FEATURE September 25, 1998 5,6pm 1:50

A forum about the food we eat was held in San Luis Obispo today. There is concern about a law that went into effect in 1996 and is just now being implemented. It is called the Food Quality Protection Act. The law was supposed to protect the consumer, but farmers, ranchers and growers say it may put them out of business. The reason, experts say, is because it may eliminate half of all pesticides now being used. According to one estimate, it would cost California one to two billion dollars to implement the law.

GOVERNMENT/LOCAL & STATE AUGUST 1998 FCC REPORTS

NEWS FEATURE

September 1, 1998

5,6,11pm

6:10

A battle over wages between SLO County and the Deputy Sheriff's Association is on. The county filed a court order to try and force the Sheriffs back to the bargaining table. It is a complicated, messy fight. The county is trying to force the sheriffs to negotiate the 1998 wages, but neither party has yet to agree on 1997 wage increases. Negotiations over last year's wages went on for months. Finally, the Sheriff's Assoc. declared an impasse. They then filed suit, asking a judge to determine which party was right when it came to interpreting the wage ordinance. The Sheriff's Assoc. wants to know how they can work on this year's wages when there is no agreement for last year. The county says they only want the deputies, correctional officers and dispatchers to get the raises they deserve. They say the only way to do that is for the sheriffs to come back to the table. They say just because last year's wages have not been agreed upon does not mean they cannot work on 1998.

NEWS FEATURE September 1, 1998 5,6pm 1:05
After some disappointments, the people of Los Osos have received a victory. Both the senate and the assembly passed a state water bill last night. It includes \$15,000,000.00 for the Los Osos Sewer Project. A portion of the money could be used for individual sewer hook-ups. The bill still must be signed by Governor Wilson. Some Capitol insiders say there is a chance he will turn it down.

NEWS FEATURE September 1, 1998 5,6,11pm 1:35 Topless bars, adult book-stores and x-rated theatres are the issue under discussion tonight in Santa Maria. City council will vote tonight on a temporary ban on adult businesses. The interim ordinance would ban any new adult business from the city's downtown business district. The Spearmint Rhino is one club that is already in that area. The goal of the ordinance is to shrink the percentage of real estate available to adult businesses from 7.1% to 5%. City council members will take a vote on the ordinance tonight.

NEWS FEATURE September 2, 1998 5,6pm 1:20 The SLO County School Board unanimously approved Pacheco Elementary School as an alternative dual-immersion school. That means the school is an exception to Prop. 227 which ended bilingual education in California. The vote allows Pacheco School to continue its dual-immersion program. For other schools, it will take twenty people to sign a petition to ask for primary language instruction. The school will then have thirty days to comply.

NEWS FEATURE September 2, 1998 6pm :30
President Clinton has the power to send \$265 Million to California military bases. Today the Senate approved a military construction report. The House of Reps. already passed it in July. It includes over \$37 Million for Vandenberg AFB. The money will be used for

family housing, missile maintenance and an Academic Space Training facility. The bill now awaits the President's signature.

NEWS FEATURE September 2, 1998 5,6pm :55
Last night, Santa Maria City Council adopted an ordinance to temporarily ban adult business. The interim measure bans any new adult businesses from the city's downtown district. One club is already there, The Spearmint Rhino. Santa Maria City Council members hope to adopt a stricter permanent ordinance in the next few years.

NEWS FEATURE September 3, 1998 6,11pm 4:05
After years of hard fought battles over the San Simeon coast, a third party enters the picture. Action news has learned that California Coastal Commission Chairman Rusty Areias, along with the State Secretary of Natural Resources, wrote a letter to the California Environmental Trust asking its President, Joe Bodovits, to get involved in the Hearst Ranch discussion. The letter is not specific about what role the trust will play. It has taken everybody by surprise. The entire N. County plan has been in Limbo since being rejected by the Commission last Jan. Some are skeptical.

NEWS FEATURE September 3, 1998 5,6,11pm 1:00 The SMPD has a new leader for the time being. Former Division Chief Aubrey Patterson is stepping into the role left by Chief Dan Shiner. Patterson is a 28-yr. veteran with the police force. He retired from the Dept. in 1996. The city hopes to find a permanent police chief within six months.

NEWS FEATURE September 3, 1998 5,6,11pm 3:25
It is a crackdown that affects off-road vehicles. It will affect the biggest party weekend of the year. This Labor Day, thousands of people will go to the Oceano Dunes. Many go to ride their ATVs. However, as of today, off-roaders cannot drink and drive anymore. A new open container law makes it illegal to drink alcohol while driving an off-road vehicle. The bill was sponsored by Sen. O'Connell. This is one of several measures to make beaches safer. Another measure includes the acquisition of a humvee vehicle.

NEWS FEATURE September 4, 1998 5,6,11pm 4:40 Police Officers of Morro Bay have had it with barking dogs on the loose. The PD announced last month that it was cracking down by fining residents with dogs that are a nuisance. If the MBPD is called about your dog and they find a problem, your first fine is \$75.00. The second fine is \$80.00. The third one is \$180.00. The fourth time could result in your dog being impounded permanently and maybe put to sleep if it is not adopted.

NEWS FEATURE September 4, 1998 6,11pm :50 Lightning strikes damaged some launch equipment at Vandenberg AFB. So, the Delta-II Rocket, carrying five Motorola Telecommunications satellites was postponed. It was supposed to launch this afternoon. The satellites provide cellular phone service to people world-wide. The next available launch time is Tuesday, September 8. NEWS FEATURE September 5, 1998 6,11pm 4:10
Labor Day weekend is one of the busiest times for rangers at Oceano Dunes State Park.
This year they will be even busier. Many people come to Oceano to ride motorcycles,
ATVs and other off-road vehicles. Another reason they come is to relax with a cold beer.
Rangers are now warning people that it is not legal to mix the two. Open containers are
not permitted in or on vehicles unless they are locked in a closed container in a nonpassenger area of the vehicle. A lot of visitors have not heard about the new law, but

they think it is a good idea. Rangers say that alcohol is only involved in about 5% of the accidents but that this law will make it even safer.

NEWS FEATURE September 8, 1998 6,11pm 3:00 Tonight the SLO City Council got a new member. The new leadership could mean changes are in store for the City of SLO. The City Council chose someone with a lot of experience, someone who has worked in government before, someone who could help the next generation of council members once elections finish. The decision, however, was not an easy one to make. There were many applicants for the job. City growth versus environment was the hot topic. The new councilmember will be former City Mayor, Ken Schwartz. He says that residents will not be disappointed.

NEWS FEATURE September 8, 1998 6,11pm :50
After a week of delays, a Boeing Delta-II rocket took off from Vandenberg AFB. The rocket took off at 2:13 this afternoon. It has five Motorola Iridium satellites. They will relay telephone service worldwide. Vandenberg originally scheduled the launches for last week, but it was postponed after a Delta-III rocket exploded during take-off at Cape Canaveral in Florida.

NEWS FEATURE September 8, 1998 5,6,11pm 3:40 Local leaders took up the issue of the Hearst Castle Ranch Resort in San Simeon. The North Coast Plan is a proposal to develop over 100,000 acres of pristine coastline north of Cayucos to the Monterey line. Today, the SLO County Board of Supervisors gave a green light to the majority of the plan. But Supervisors did reject some of the most controversial elements. They want to know more about the impacts on the environment before approving the plan.

NEWS FEATURE September 8, 1998 5,6pm 1:00 SB County is trying to preserve a part of the past. The Board of Supervisors approved \$500K to help dig up the lost city of Demille. That is the Ten Commandments movie-set that was built over 75-years ago on the Guadalupe Dunes. The set was never torn down and parts are still preserved in the Dunes. The total cost to dig up the artifacts is about \$175,000.00.

NEWS FEATURE September 9, 1998 5pm :47
There are some new changes coming up in the local government. The hotly contested San Luis Obispo City Council seat is now filled. The council appointed former San Luis Obispo mayor, Ken Schwartz, to the seat. Nine people vied fro the position at last

night's meeting but the man with a lot of political experience won the race.

NEWS FEATURE September 14, 1998 11pm 1:30 It would be the biggest retail store in SLO County. We are talking about the proposal to build a 200,000 sq. ft. Eagle hardware store off Los Osos Valley Rd. and Hwy. 101. It is called a "Big Box Store." It is a big story in town that has environmentalists and local merchants in arms. The SLO City Council is voicing its concern. The Mayor recently wrote an angry letter to the County Board of Supervisors about the proposal. Mayor Settle accuses the board of ignoring its own policies by considering the application. The Mayor was interviewed.

NEWS FEATURE September 14, 1998 6pm :20 SLO Firefighters are in a hot spot. The organization that represents them is suing the city. It says the City is refusing to honor an agreement worked out between the two sides. But the City says that is not the case. In fact, it has not seen the lawsuit yet, and won't comment until it does.

NEWS FEATURE September 14, 1998 5,6pm 1:15
The battle over new off-shore drillling heats up the race for Governor. This past weekend, Gray Davis made his way to the Central Coast to address the issue. In recent weeks, Dan Lungren has been criticized for his one-time support of some oil drilling plans. Now, Lungren has turned the tables by accusing Gray Davis, Democrat, of voting twice to approve new wells off the coast of Santa Barbara. Davis says he never voted to approve the oil drilling and that Lungren is lying.

NEWS FEATURE September 15, 1998 6,11pm 1:30 He set cats on fire and threw knives at dogs, Richard Allen Davis then murdered Polly Klaas. Animal abusers are more likely to become killers. To fight back, Gov. Pete Wilson signed the Animal Torture Law. Senator Jack O'Connell authored the bill. He is running for re-election. He joined the news crew live.

NEWS FEATURE September 15, 1998 6,11pm 1:30

Another local candidate running for office is singing the praises of a law he helped write. Assemblyman Tom Bordonaro, who is running on the Republican ticket for Congress is cracking down on California criminals. The so called 10-20-life law increases the prison time for crimes involving a gun. Bordonaro called gun violence out of control.

NEWS FEATURE September 15, 1998 11pm :20 Keep your eye on the sky. Vandenberg AFB is set to launch an unarmed MinuteMan-III missile. It is part of the military's routine tests. Lift off time is 1:01 tonight with a six hour window.

NEWS FEATURE September 16, 1998 5,6,11pm :50 Vandenberg's launch of a Peace-Keeper missile is delayed. It was set for this morning, but, because of technical difficulties the military had to put it off. A new launch date has not been set.

NEWS FEATURE September 16, 1998 11pm :30

The fate of SLO's General Hospital rests in the hands of County voters this November. An informational meeting was held tonight. The purpose was to inform the public about the initiative. If Ballot Measure H passes it would keep the place open. Measure H calls for a sales tax that would cost you, on an average, twenty cents per week. Because this is a special tax, it would require 66% approval.

NEWS FEATURE September 16, 1998 5,6pm 1:00 Having your trashed picked up in SLO will soon cost you more. The City Council voted last night to adopt a 4.7 percent rate increase for business and residential customers. The Council also voted to have businesses start paying to recycle. Businesses will be charged a \$3.00 monthly recycling fee. Plus extra fees based on how much cardboard they recycle. The new fees take effect in December.

NEWS FEATURE September 17, 1998 11pm :10 Vandenberg AFB is set to launch a PeaceKeeper Missile in a few hours. Blast off time is scheduled for 1:01 am with a six hour window.

NEWS FEATURE September 22, 1998 5,6,11pm 4:10

New authority was granted today to SB County Sherrif Jim Thomas. He was granted a cap on the amount of prisoners in the County Jail. That will let him release low risk inmates. The overcrowded conditions have created an unsafe facility. It is partly responsible for a jail break last November and another one earlier this year. Only low risk, non-violent criminals will qualify for early release. They will still have to participate in home monitoring or work release programs for the remainder of their sentence.

NEWS FEATURE September 22, 1998 5,6pm :45
Unocal is still in business. Today the State Attorney General rejected a lawsuit brought against the oil giant. That lawsuit was filed by a group of environmentalists and consumer advocates. It wanted the State to revoke Unocal's right to do business in California because it claims Unocal pollutes the environment.

NEWS FEATURE September 22, 1998 5,6pm 1:05
The residents of Avila Beach are ready for the Unocal massive clean-up to begin, but the project has been delayed. The oil company and local agencies are arguing over permits. The heart of the beach town is about to be ripped down so Unocal can excavate 400,000 gallons of oil pollution. The SLO County Board of Supervisors is discussing permit problems at this point, no vote has been taken. The cleanup was to begin yesterday.

NEWS FEATURE September 28, 1998 6,11pm 1:40 Congresswoman Lois Capps fights to save health care access for seniors. Today the Democrat told house members more than 15,000 seniors in SLO County and thousands more in SB County will lose their Medicare coverage beginning as early as January. Capps told the Speaker that these actions are causing tremendous turmoil in her district. Health plan reps say the reason for the HMO pullout is due to low medicare reimbursement rates here on the Central Coast. Capps wants Gov. Wilson to link lower

reimbursement rate areas with higher rate areas. This would provide a financial incentive for managed care plans to remain on the Central Coast.

NEWS FEATURE September 28, 1998 5pm :20
The City of Lompoc is trying to smash out drunk driving. They have just received over \$20K to prevent DUI's. It is called Operation Smash. It includes DUI checkpoints almost 200-hours of overtime enforcement and educational events at local schools. The money will fund these projects through September of next year.

NEWS FEATURE September 28, 1998 5,6pm 1:40 SM is getting some help in cracking down on domestic violence. The DA's office is getting almost \$276K for its domestic violence unit. The Federal Grant will extend the year-and-a-half old project for another 18-mos. The three person team focuses specifically on domestic crimes. The domestic violence unit is primarily funded through federal grants. The team includes a prosecutor, investigator and now, a full-time victim's advocate.

NEWS FEATURE September 30, 1998 6,11pm :25

Vandenberg AFB has rescheduled its rocket launch. The Taurus Booster is expected to take off Friday morning at 3:11 am. The rocket carries an experimental satellite. Once in orbit, it will test different technologies to be used in future space missions. Vandenberg says the launch is being delayed to allow time for more preparations.

NEWS FEATURE September 30, 1998 6,11pm 1:10 Election day is still over a month away, but already voters are deciding who they will cast their ballot for. Tonight some 50-voters turned out to have their questions answered by candidates. A lot of voters want to make their minds up early so they can vote absentee ballot. Tonight's town hall meeting in Arroyo Grande featured the candidates for SLO County Sheriff and 4th District Supervisor. If you want to vote in the November 3 election, you have to register by this coming Monday. For those of you voting by absentee those ballot forms will be available on Monday, October 5, 1998.

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NEWS FEATURE

September 2, 1998

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Police say alcohol was a factor in a car crash that left two people seriously injured. The collision happened early yesterday on Hwy. 246 at Hapgood Rd. A group of cars was traveling westbound. Daniel Acree, 37-yrs. old was driving on the wrong side of the road. The first two cars swerved and avoided major damages. The third vehicle, driven by 45-yr. old Kitlee Lau collided with Acree head-on. Lau and Acree are both residents of Lompoc, CA. Lau is in guarded but stable condition at Lompoc Valley Hospital. Acree is listed in serious condition at Cottage Hospital in Santa Barbara. Acree has been charged with drunk driving.

NEWS FEATURE

September 2, 1998

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If you were in the five-cities area today you were not getting much power. That is because of downed power lines. We are told a garbage truck was traveling Hwy. 1 in Pismo Beach when it accidentally snagged some power lines. Just like dominoes, other power lines were knocked over, one landing on top of a pickup truck. Power was out to about 4,500 customers for about two hours. While PG&E cleaned up that mess there was another one in Paso Robles where power has been out since about 2 p.m. About 4,000 people are affected there. Equipment problems are to blame.

NEWS FEATURE

September 2, 1998

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The time is just about here to unearth Avila Beach. A massive excavation project gets underway this month. Tonight, Avila residents gathered to plan for life around the dig. They are planning for a two year dig that will turn their town upside down. It is a day that Avila residents are trying to get a handle on. The public meetings continue in the tiny beach community. The excavation is to remove contaminants from underneath the city. A private company hired to facilitate six of these forums hopes to get citizen's input into Avila's planning decision.

NEWS FEATURE

September 2, 1998

5,6pm

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Money may be on the way to clean up a sticky mess in Nipomo. We first told a story about the oil seeping into Frank Lewotsky's yard last year. That oil was illegally dumped there in the 40s and 50s. It was covered up and homes were built on the site. Now comes word from Sen. O'Connell that \$750K has been approved to clean up the mess. Gov. Wilson has 30-days to approve or veto the bill.

NEWS FEATURE

September 6, 1998

6,11pm

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Labor Day weekend can also be a dangerous time in the water. That is why the CA. Dept. of Forestry is patrolling the waters just off the Oceano Dunes. They are using their pontoon boat to help rescue swimmers. The recreation area has also brought in an extra two lifeguards from the area of Ventura. Flyers are also being passed out, warning about the dangers of rip currents.

NEWS FEATURE September 7, 1998 5,6,11pm 1:15 If you are thinking about driving Hwy. 144 in Santa Barbara, think again. Cal-Trans is doing some major work there starting tomorrow. The highway is being moved away from Sycamore Creek to protect it from erosion. The area affected is between Yanonali St. and Ranchito Vista Rd. Expect detours until the work is finished in November. The cost is \$350K.

NEWS FEATURE September 9, 1998 5 & 6pm 1:20 There are new radar signs posted on the 101 freeway north. Officers will now be using radar from north of the Cuesta grade to the Monterey county line. Officers say more drivers are speeding in this area and it's causing accidents. The speed limit for trucks in 55 and for cars it is 65 miles per hour.

NEWS FEATURE September 16, 1998 5,6pm :55
If you live near San Miguel, you may have felt a series of minor earthquakes today. This morning six quakes shook six miles NW of Parkfield on the San Andreas fault. A 3.5 jolt occurred at 2 a.m. It was followed by two tremors that measured 3.5 and 2.8 on the Richter Scale. The last big quake hit at 9:17. The town of Parkfield is in S. Monterey County.

NEWS FEATURE September 16, 1998 6,11pm 3:15
Some people in Pismo Beach are raising a stink. They say they were dumped on and they want the city to pay. On August 13, the sewer backed up at a home on Stimson Ave. Raw sewage flooded the bathroom, blew from the sinks and gushed from the toilets. Guy Renta lives there. He says city workers were cleaning the line when a clog forced the sewage into his home. The city did pay for a cleaning service. Clean up took three weeks. Renta wants to be reimbursed for his food, lodging and other damage. Renta and a neighbor who also had sewage problems are going before the City Council next month. The Pismo Beach City Manager and member of the Public Works Dept. did not want to comment. Mayor says he will hold comment until he gets all the facts.

NEWS FEATURE September 16, 1998 6pm :35

Action News has just learned that Unocal's project in Avila Beach may be delayed. Unocal planned to begin the massive project on Monday, by rerouting power. Company Reps. tell us they still need to obtain nearly 20-permits to proceed. Unocal says it could take just a matter of days to secure all the paperwork needed to begin. There is no way to predict when the agencies involved will issue the permits. While the project may be delayed Unocal says Avila residents planning to leave town because of the clean up should stick to those plans.

NEWS FEATURE September 16, 1998 5pm 2:10
One of the most famous surf beaches on the Central Coast, Rincon Beach, warns swimmers and surfers to stay away. Bacteria from Rincon Creek has forced the closure of the beach for most of the summer. Now, there is a move to change that. Tonight, people will have a chance to talk out the problem. A special meeting in Carpinteria will be held. The meeting has been planned for the last three months. The main idea is to

get both Santa Barbara and Ventura County talking about money for a study that will help pinpoint where the problems are coming from.

NEWS FEATURE September 19, 1998 6,11pm 1:20
A busy afternoon for local firefighters. A brush fire broke out between Poly Canyon and Hwy. 101 in SLO. The blaze was reported just after 4:30 and was contained about an hour and a half later. Crews from the CDF and the City of SLO responded to the 10-acre fire.

NEWS FEATURE September 19, 1998 6,11pm :45
Santa Margarita celebrates a bit of local history today with the Days of the Dons. The event features a parade with people dressed in costumes from the area's early ranching days. Some touches of modern life on the central coast have also been added. In case you are wondering, the Dons are the people who settled in the area after receiving Spanish Land Grants in the early 1800's.

NEWS FEATURE September 19, 1998 6,11pm :35
A great day to spend outside with the family. That is exactly what was on tap for the SLO County Sheriff's Family Day at Madonna Ranch. The Sheriff's Dept. and other local agencies brought out some equipment for folks to get a first hand look.

NEWS FEATURE September 22, 1998 6,11pm 1:35 Two brush fires broke out earlier this evening. The first was a blaze that burned ten acres. It happened near Bishops Peak, just off of Hwy. 1. The California Dept. of Forestry says a downed power line ignited the blaze around 3:15. Firefighters fought flames shooting over their heads in the brush. Residents in Ferrini Heights were concerned as smoke blew into their neighborhood. Fortunately, around 8:00 pm air attack and ground crews managed to get the fire under control. Just a half hour later, crews contained another grass fire in Nipomo. This 75-acre fire broke out around 4:00 pm. Officials say no structures were damaged in the blaze.

NEWS FEATURE September 22, 1998 11pm :15
If you live in the Oceano area, you may have seen some smoke earlier this evening. The Grover Beach police say there is no need to be alarmed. It was a controlled burning of a house. The fire is now contained.

NEWS FEATURE September 22, 1998 5,6pm 1:30 The SB Board of Supervisors adopted a plan to spend \$300K to prevent beach water contamination, Project Clean Water. The money will pay for a 10-month study and clean-up plan. Now the organization Heal the Ocean says the plan does not do enough. They intend to spend up to \$75K for DNA testing that would determine the source of the fecal contamination. They would be able to tell whether the fecal chloriform contamination is from humans as opposed to racoons, dogs or cats. The study would also look at whether the creek water can be treated before it ends up in the ocean or whether water could be piped offshore away from the beach.

NEWS FEATURE September 23, 1998 5,6,11pm 6:00

An update on an accident that many may remember. Today, Tara Olson's mom spoke out for the first time on her daughter's fight to free herself from a coma. The 17-yr, old high school senior has already made it through three of the eight stages of coma recovery. Peaches Olson says her daughter is mouthing words, using her eyes to follow people and even displaying past habits like twisting her hair. Tara's mom says she is running the road to recovery with the same stamina she used to tackle marathons. If the progress continues, her family will transfer her to the Santa Clara Valley Rehab Center in San Jose, CA.

NEWS FEATURE September 25, 1998 6pm :15
The CHP is reporting a big rig has ran out of gas and jack-knifed on Hwy. 101 north at

the Cuesta Grade. Traffic is backed up right now. There are CHP units on the scene at this time.

NEWS FEATURE September 27, 1998 11pm :30

A difficult night for parishioners at one Central Coast church as an evening fire causes extensive damages. Crews were called to the scene of a fire at St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church in Pismo at about 7:45pm. A total of 10-crews responded from Pismo, SLO and the CDF. The fire is out at this time and investigators are still on the scene determining what caused the blaze.

NEWS FEATURE September 28, 1998 5,6,11pm 1:35 Some very tense moments for an American Eaghle flight over Central Coast skies last night. A plane scheduled to land in SLO reported wing flap problems. The plane was diverted from SLO to the SB Airport because of the problems. The airport in SB was put on a general alert, meaning emergency equipment and personnel were on stand-by. As it ends up, the plane landed safely without incident. No word tonight on what actually caused the problems.

NEWS FEATURE September 28, 1998 5,6,11pm 1:00 A fire at a Pismo Beach church last night leaves investigators puzzled. More than ten crews responded to last night's fire that occurred at around 7:45pm. This morning, police went to the St. Paul Catholic Church to gather more clues on the cause, but so far there is no answer. The fire was confined to the church only, but everything inside was damaged. Investigation is continuing.

NEWS FEATURE September 30, 1998 6,11pm 2:40 If you saw a lot of emergency situations throughout SLO County today, no need to be alarmed, it was just a test. Actually, all the commotion was part of a countywide exercise testing emergency services. A bus accident in Arroyo Grande started the disaster drill. 48-passengers crash into a buildings. 2 deaths and dozens of injuries later, emergency crews finished what they came to do. At the same time another emergency broke out. This scenario was a radiation leak at Diablo Canyon. Emergency crews gathered at SLO's Emergency Operations Center. After all is said and done everyone involved in today's drill is evaluated for their performance. Today's drill is a practice run for

November 4th. That is when the Federal Government will be here to evaluate the County's emergency services in similar drills.

NEWS FEATURE September 30, 1998 6,11pm 2:40

A new lease on life, without a leash, for some dogs on the Central Coast. The SB County park commission agreed to an off leash dog area at Rincon Beach. However, health officials and some surfers are concerned the move may only increase the amount of fecal bacteria in the water at Rincon. The main thing they would be concerned about is the fecal contamination and chloriforms from the animals themselves. The beach at Rincon has been closed most of the summer due to fecal bacteria from an as yet unknown source.

NEWS FEATURE September 30, 1998 11pm :30 We are still waiting to hear about money that may be on the way to clean-up a sticky mess in Nipomo. We first told you about the oil seeping into Frank Lewotsky's yard last year. That oil was illegally dumped there inthe 40s and 50s. It was covered up and homes built on the site. \$750,000.00 has been approved to clean up the mess. At this hour, the Governor has made no decision on that bill. Tune into to Action News Daybreak for the latest update.

NEWS FEATURE September 30, 1998 6,11pm 3:00
The sudden death of a teenager in Atascadero sends shock waves through the community. David Lara, 15-yrs. old, died Monday night after cross country practice at Atascadero High School. His heart failed. David grew up on the Central Coast. He was a rising star on the track team and popular with other students. The principal says David's classmates are in shock. Grief counselors are there to help students who need it. He is survived by his parents and three sisters.